

**F
R
E
E**

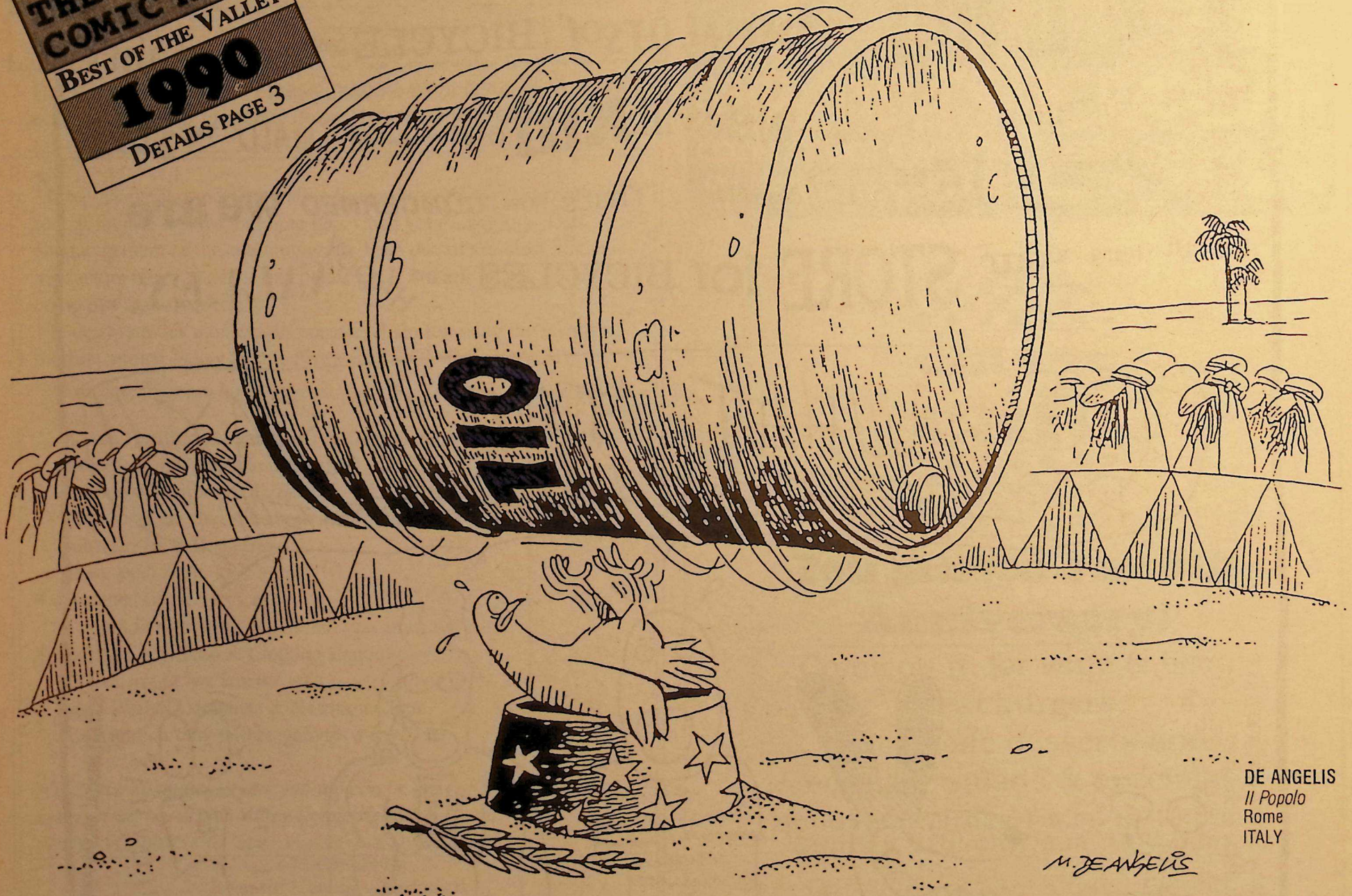
The Valley **COMIC N · E · W · S**

BULK RATE
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
Leverett, MA
Permit No.6

#23



**THE VALLEY
COMIC NEWS**
BEST OF THE VALLEY
1990
DETAILS PAGE 3



DE ANGELIS
Il Popolo
Rome
ITALY

ANNIVERSARY ISSUE

BICYCLE WORLD

NO BULLSHIT BIKES 253-7722

63 S. Pleasant St. Amherst MA. (Behind Bonducci's Cafe)

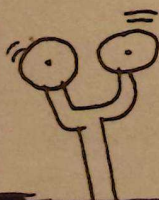
PRESENTS WALLY THE IDIOT IN:

"A REQUEST"

"RIDE Year round or **DIE**" is our **mo'ti'o**, and we mean **it!** **If You** don't **buy** **LOTS** of **BICYCLE** world's **HIGH** quality Products, over **THE** next weeks, **we** will **Kill** one Member of **"WALLY THE IDIOT"** Until **You** **give** in **to** our demands. That's how **CONCERNED** we are about being **your** **STORE** for BICYCLES in **THE** **HAPPY** VALLEY.

DO WHAT THEY SAY!!
P P L E E E E E E A A A A A S S S E !!!

Why Seattle is a great place
to have a coronary



INSTANT MENTAL MILLIONAIRE

Ride year round or they die!!

EDITOR'S NOTES

COMIC NEWS SUBSCRIPTIONS

Great gift idea! For your friends, relatives, siblings or anyone else who needs a dose of comic relief. Mailed anywhere in the US.

(22 issues yearly)

One sub \$17.00

Two subs \$30.00

Three subs \$42.00

Send this coupon filled out and check or money order to:

COMIC NEWS Subs

P.O. Box 658

Amherst, MA 01004

Send subscriptions of The Comic News to:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Back issues \$1 each. Please indicate what issue #s you want.

Having trouble getting your subscription? Please call or write, we would be happy to make it right.

Yes, believe it or not The Valley Comic News is **one** year old! It's sort of hard to believe, but time flies when your laughing. The encouragement of the community has been one of the most motivating factors in my patience and persistence. I thank all my readers for being just that - readers.

To celebrate this momentous occasion I am releasing the results of the first annual Valley Comic News **BEST OF THE VALLEY**.

The winning businesses & their slogans:

	Number of Votes Ads Bought
1. Mona's Healthfood Restaurant & Organic Hair Salon "Waiter, is that a hair in my soup?"	406
2. Antonio's Antiques & Pizza "How long has that slice been sitting there?"	398
3. Bob's Books & Body Shop "If we can't fix it, look it up."	354
4. Absentee Legal Services "I'm not in right now, but I'll bill you anyway."	302
5. Karens Copy Shop & Clothing Boutique "If it doesn't fit, we'll make it fit."	273
6. Light Weight Computer & Nutrition Clinic "Eat right on only 640 megabytes a day."	251

Mr. & Ms. business person, you too can be Best of the Valley! Just ask your ad rep at The Valley Comic News for details.

(VOTING COMMITTEE: Editor, Publisher and Ad reps)

413-586-2274

Editor and Publisher • David Hooks

Teacher trouble shooter and all around guru • Thom Zajac

Ad sales • David Hooks

Copying • Paradise Copies

Writing & humor consulting • Izzy Gesell

Printing • The Recorder - Greenfield, MA.

Team VCN mascot • Kyle Paws Kelly

Youngins • Ali, Claire and Owen

©1990 The Valley Comic News

No part may be reproduced without written permission from the publisher.



MIRANDA'S VERANDAH

CORNER OF WEST & MAIN STREET, KEENE, NH 603-352-0681

211 MAIN STREET, NORTHAMPTON, MA 413-586-5123



You missed our 8th Anniversary!

Come on in for wine & beer,
great burgers,
homemade desserts and
soups & salads & specials!

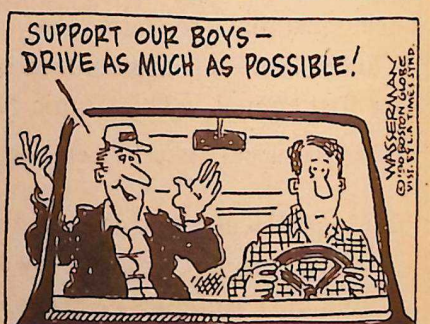
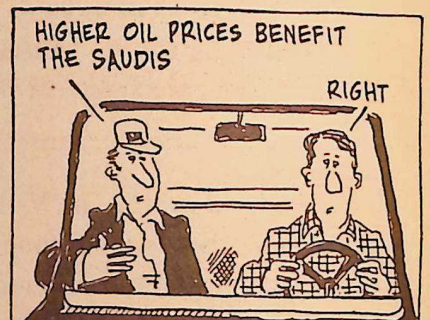
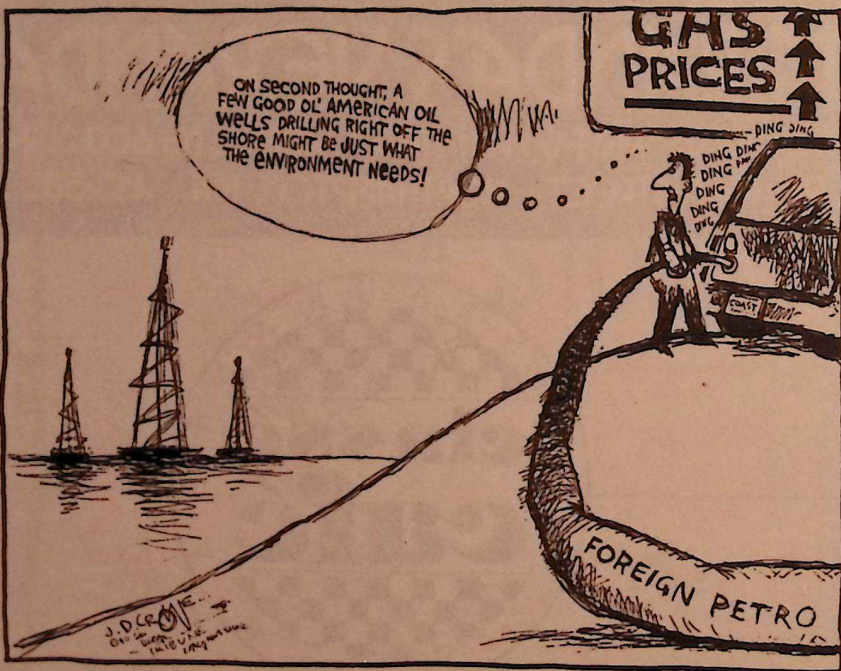
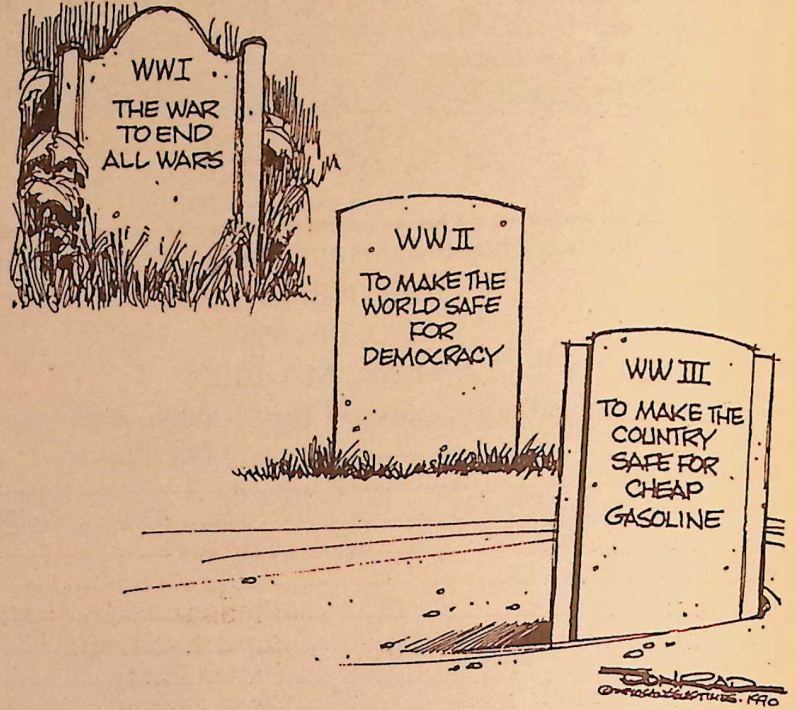
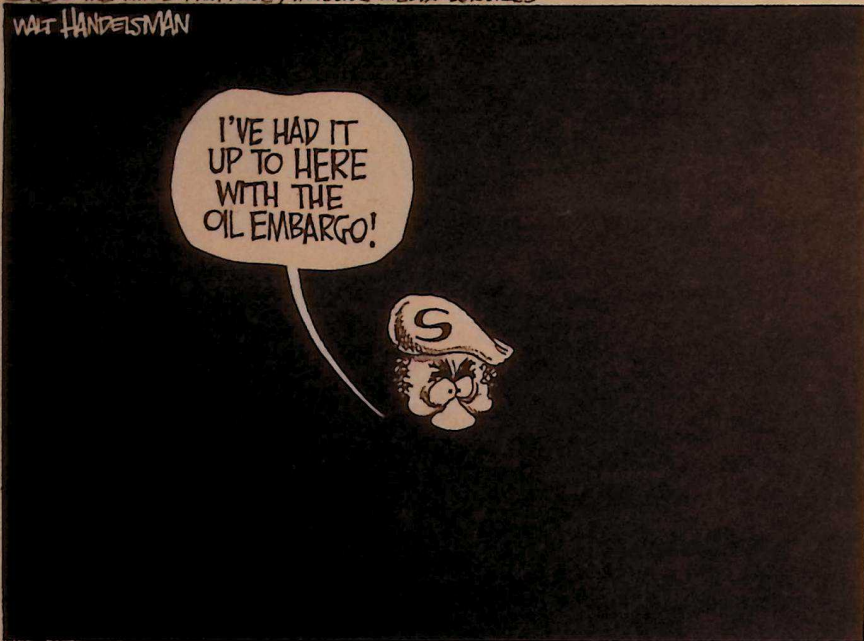
Monday-Saturday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Sunday Brunch 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.



168 N. Pleasant St., Amherst, MA 253-2291

A DIRTY HABIT

THE TIMES-PICAYUNE / TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES
WALT HANDELSMAN



THANK YOU

Businesses and individuals to whom
The Valley Comic News extends
heart felt thanks, for seeing us
through the first year.

Adventura Travel
Artist in Resonance
Advanced Video
AMC Theaters
Al Bums
The Amherst Copy Corner
The Amherst Music House
Amherst Typewriter
Atilas
The Black Sheep
Brunos Pizzas
Bananarama
Buffalo Bills
Bonducci's
Beyond Words Book Shop
Barts
Broadside Book Shop
Bicycle World Too
Collective Copies
Cleare Communications
Crossroads Comics
Changes
Classe Cafe
City Cafe
The Centered Mind
Celebration Bakery
Country Comfort
Copy Cat Print Shop
Council Travel
Details
Drop Zone
Dancer Computers
East Heaven Hot Tubs
Faces
Fretted Instruments
Fitzwillys
Food for Thought Books
Fez
Grape Street Records
Goodnight Bedding
Hamelin Furniture
Imaginarium
Joe's Paradise
J-Rich
Karavan Imports
Kinkos

Kaplan Educational Systems
Katinas
La Veracruzana
Long Radio
M.Y. Place
Mirandas Verandah
The Mercantile
25 Central
New Attitude
Northampton Brewery
Northampton School of Design
The Pepper Mill
Paige Associates
Pleasant Street Video
Paradise Copies
Party Party
Post Script
Spoleto
Same Bat Channel
Subway
Spee Dee
Taco Villa
Taylormen
Tower Theaters
Utopia Spas
Video To Go
Valley Bikes
WRSI
Whalens Stationers
The Whole Health Expo

Mikal M. Weiss
(Attorney at Law)
Sam Rush
(Rush Graphics)
Izzy Gesell
(Humor Consultant)
Karen Craig
(Banking)
Lynn Kendal
(Small Business
Development Center)
Chris Sikes
(Valley Community
Development Center)
The Greenfield Recorder
(Patient printers)

Ad production and sales staff from:
-The Valley Advocate
-The Daily Hampshire Gazette
-Collegian
-Many Hands

Much thanks goes to the cartoonists, and this crazy
world for providing such fertile subject matter.

And last but definitely not least, my family, without
whom I would have no sense of humor at all.

(Apologies to anyone I missed.)

LSAT GMAT SAT GRE

Test Your Best



KAPLAN

STANLEY H. KAPLAN EDUCATIONAL CENTER LTD.

LSAT begins 10/7 Smith College - 10/9 Amherst

GMAT begins 10/24 Amherst

SAT begins 10/3 Amherst - 9/30 Greenfield

GRE begins 10/7 Smith College - 10/18 Amherst

Amherst 549 - 5780

(Mention this ad when enrolling and get a free Kaplan T-shirt.)

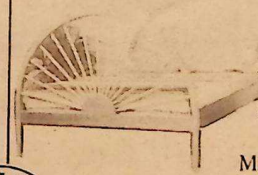
Value Priced

Sofas
Starting at \$429



Platform Beds

\$139
to
\$899
Maple, Ash
Oak, Cherry

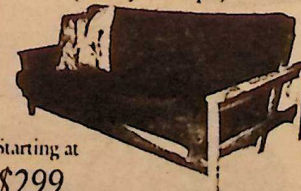


Tables \$99-\$999
Chairs \$49 and UP



Futon Frame
(Cherry or Maple)

Starting at
\$299



HAMELIN FURNITURE

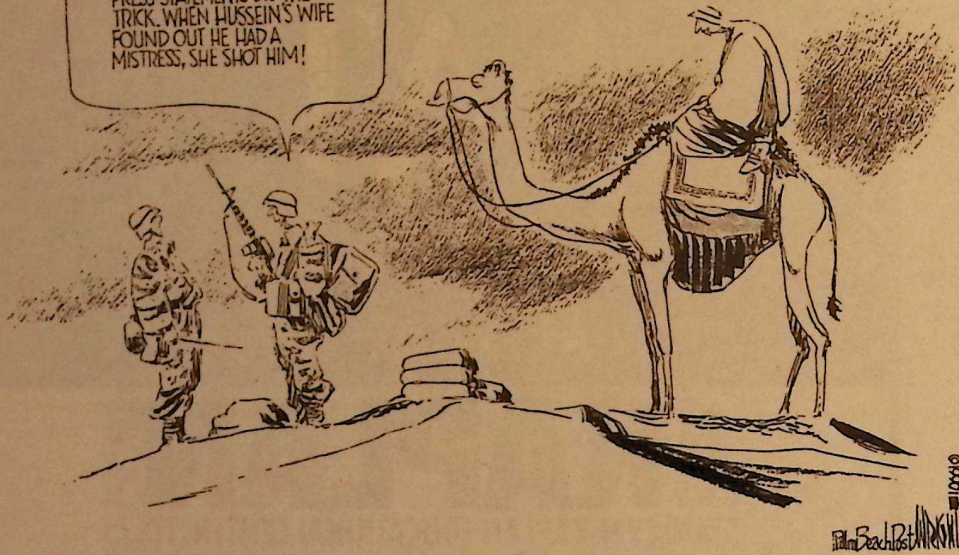
32 Masonic Street, Downtown Northampton/586-7970

Mon-Fri 10-6/Thurs 10-9/Sat 10-6

In-Store financing and instant-credit for qualified buyers. Also VISA, Mastercard and discover cards.

\$LOW VICTORY

WE JUST CAME IN FROM BAGHDAD. GENERAL DUGAN'S PRESS STATEMENTS DID THE TRICK. WHEN HUSSEIN'S WIFE FOUND OUT HE HAD A MISTRESS, SHE SHOT HIM!



THE BIRMINGHAM NEWS LEADER
CORLEY NEWS SERVICE
CORRELL



OLIVIAN THE CREATION ARTIST BY THE DUNE

...AS THE CRISIS ENTERS THE SECOND MONTH, THE AMERICAN PUBLICS RESOLVE AND COURAGE WILL BE TESTED...

...ISNT THIS PROGRAM OVER YET?



©1990 Tim Beach Post

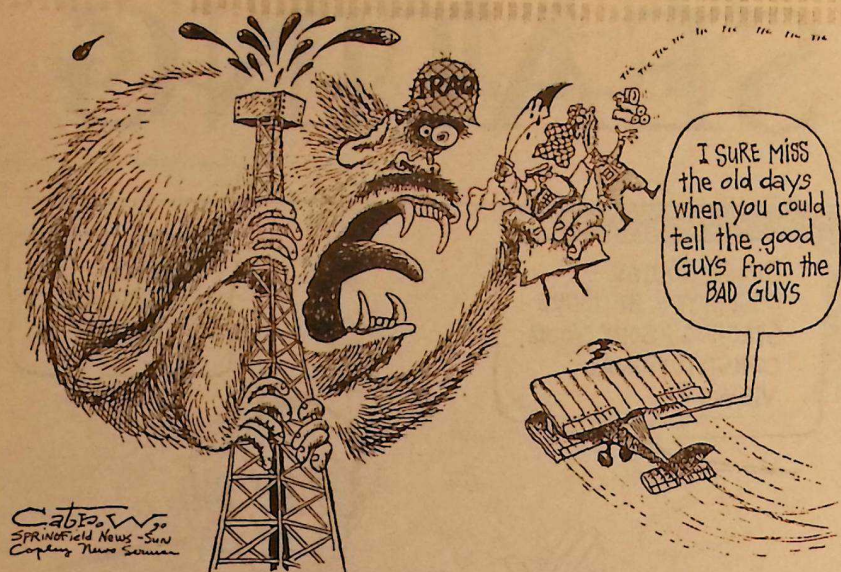
WHEN DO YOU SUPPOSE ALL THESE CONCERNED POLITICIANS WILL LEAVE SAUDI ARABIA?

WHEN THE SHOOTING STARTS!



SERVE





PAWZ



DANCER COMPUTERS

Performance + Quality + Service = Value

Do not be misled by price alone. Compare features, performance, and support before you make a purchase. Dancer Computers specializes in MS DOS and Mac computers and peripherals including system integration, sales, service, and support. Visit Amherst's only independent computer dealer for all your computer needs.



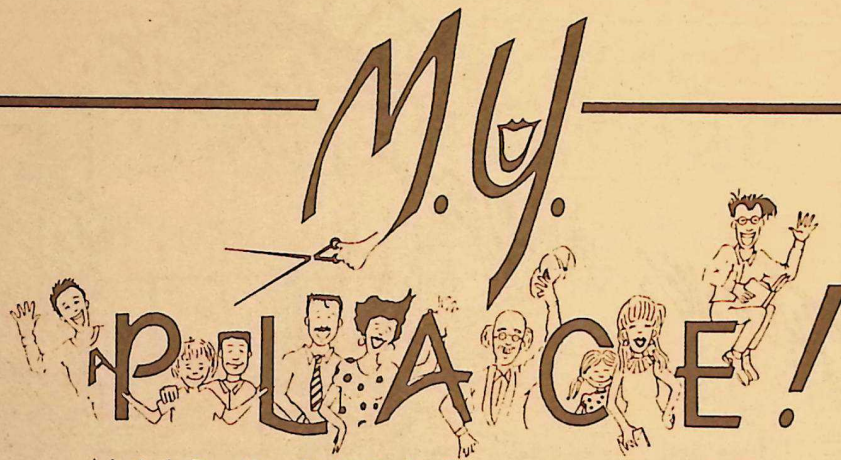
31 Boltwood Walk, 2nd Floor
Amherst, MA 01002 256-6155

Hours 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM daily

Between Taco Villa and Bananarama in Amherst Ctr.

Be sure to check-out our September, student specials!

RasterOps • Microtech • HP • Panasonic • Easydata • Toshiba



HAIR & PERSONAL CARE

15 PRAY ST. AMHERST, MA. (DOWN LEFT OF THE PUB) 549-1903

- Great haircuts, Great prices (\$8-\$15).
- Specialty Hair & Skin Products featuring AVEDA.
- Appointments and walk-ins welcome.

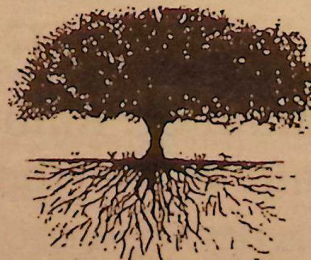
Michael Wilkins, proprietor, formerly of the University Campus Center.

Special 1 Month anniversary offer
FREE marbleized brush & comb
with hair cut.

(Offer good 9/28 - 10/13 with this coupon)

The Natural Therapeutic Center

Therapeutic Massage by Franktinus
Complimentary Consultation
and 15 minute Hands-on Session



34 Main Street
Suite #5

Amherst, MA.
256-8999

AL-BUMS



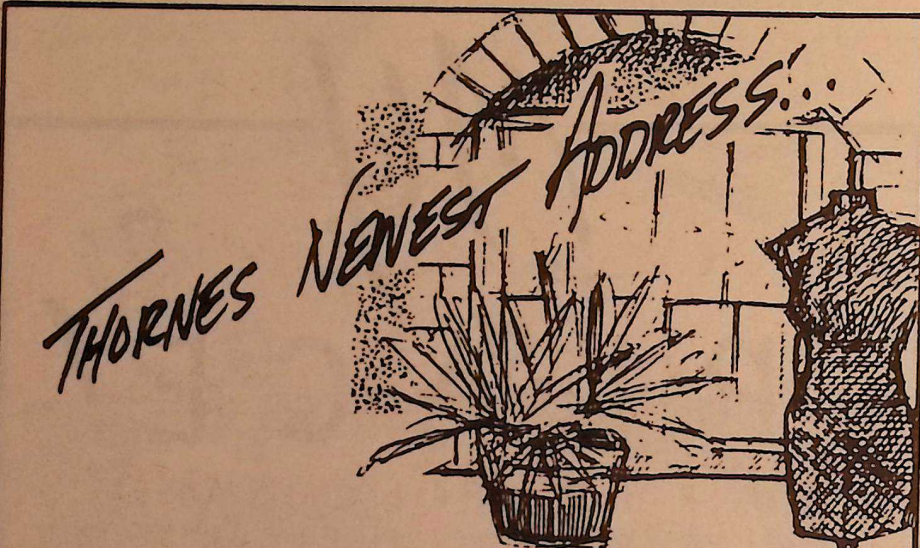
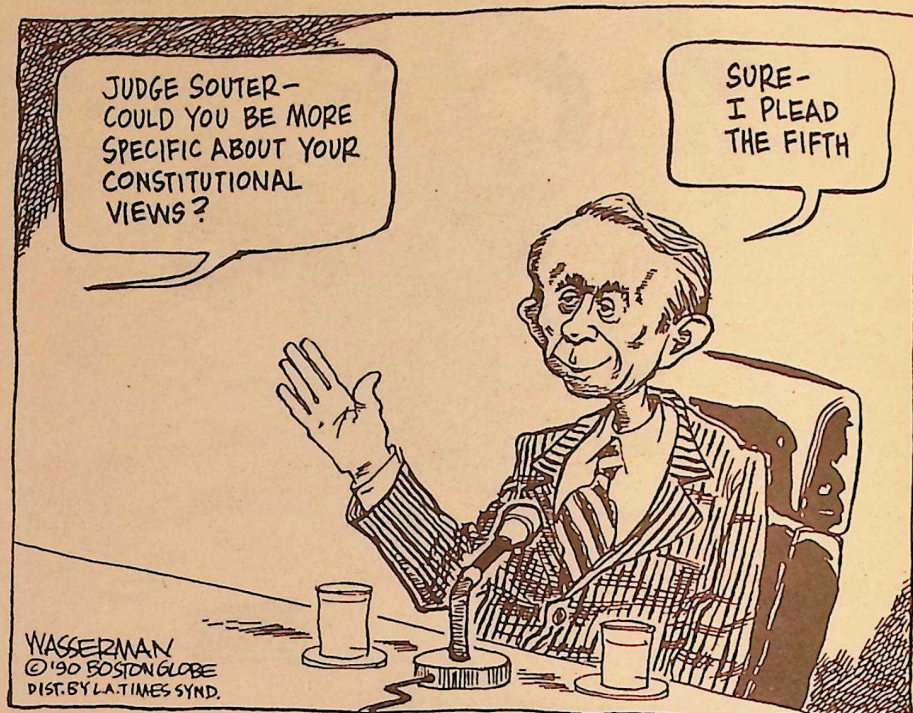
NEED EXTRA CASH?
WE BUY * SELL * TRADE
USED CDs, LPs & CASSETTES
All Used Sales Guaranteed.

HIGH QUALITY • EXTRA STURDY WOOD FURNITURE

Bookcases • LP Shelves • Tables • Stereo Centers
CD & Cassette Racks • Coffee Tables and more!
ALL SHAPES AND SIZES

Hours: Mon.-Sat. 10-6, Sun. 12-5 181 N. Pleasant St., Amherst 253-7137

SEATING



25 CENTRAL

HAVING FUN *Clothes that fit your life!*
DRESSING UP HANGING OUT
2 FULL FLOORS!
586-8017
GOING TO SCHOOL GOING TO WORK

DOWNSTAIRS AT THORNES
150 MAIN ST., NORTHAMPTON



S.D.I. (Souter Defense Initiative)

20 % OFF with this ad
(except sale items)

WHALEN STATIONERS

40 Main St. Amherst
141 Main St. Northampton

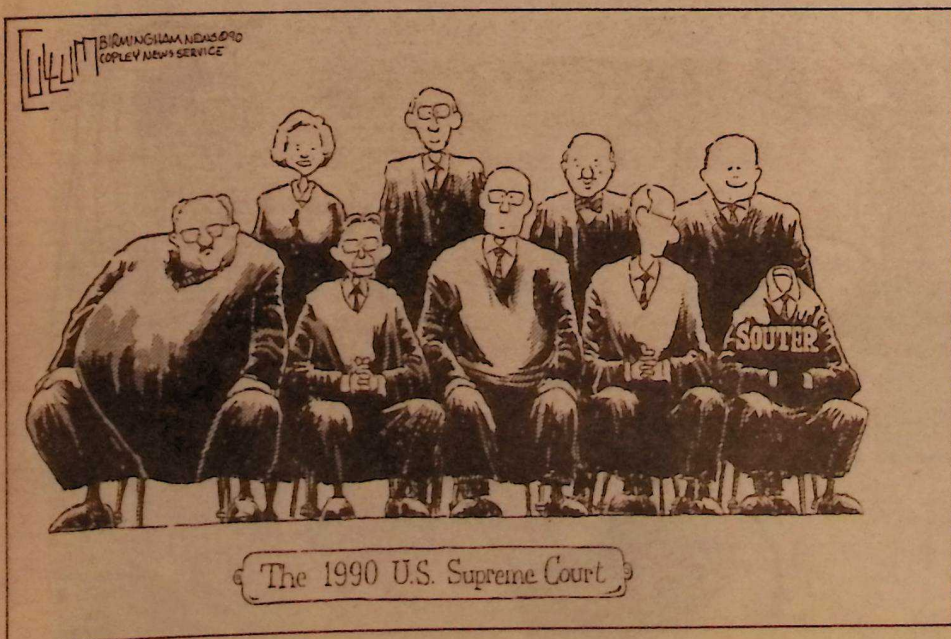
COLLEGE SUPPLIES • COMPUTER PRODUCTS
OFFICE ACCESSORIES
(Expires 10/22)



"BE REASONABLE, JUDGE SOUTER. ... THINGS WILL BE MUCH MORE COMFORTABLE IF ONLY YOU SIGN THIS ENDORSEMENT OF PRO-ABORTION LIBERALISM. ...!"

SOUTER

OHMAN THE CATEGORICAL REPLY TO THE



PARADISE COPIES



- Copying
- Typesetting
- Laserprinting
- Color Copying

M-F 8:30 am — 10 pm

SAT 9:00 am — 5 pm

SUN 12:00 am — 7 pm

We're down the street from Spoleto's!

30 Crafts Ave. • Northampton • 585-0414

Amherst Drop Zone

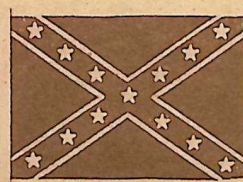
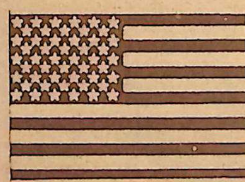
ARMY / NAVY STORE

Now 2 Locations!

103 North Pleasant St.
Amherst ★ 256-0039
(Behind Barts)

Rt 9
Hadley ★ 585-5800
(Next to McDonalds)

FLAGS \$9.95 - 2 for \$15
(with this ad)



Open 7 Days
M-Sat 10-6pm
Sun 12-5

OPEN NIGHTS IN HADLEY



Zen/Yoga Meditation

Workshop - Oct. 14th

with Chris Kilham & Al Rapaport
8 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$20

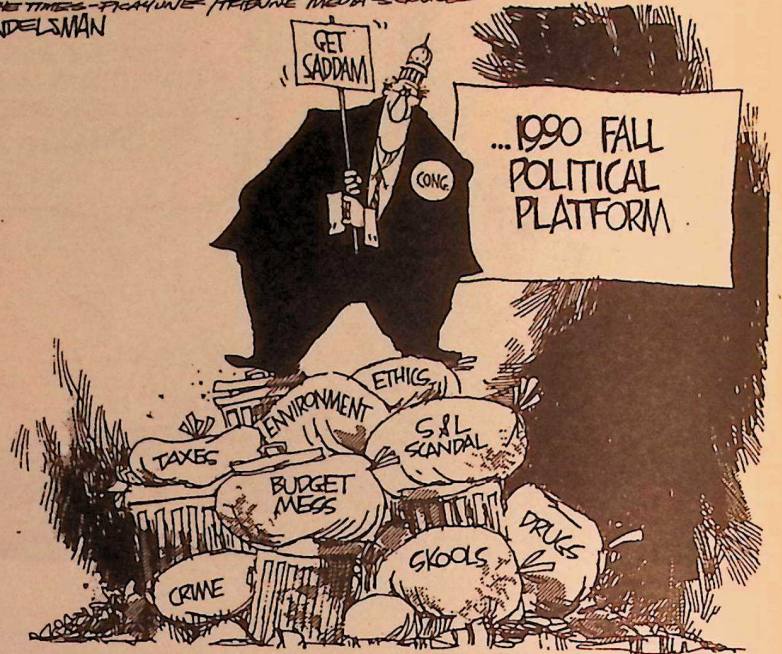


Join us for an information-packed day of instruction on yoga and meditation with two dynamic teachers. Chris Kilham draws on 20 years of experience with the Yogas of India and Tibet. He has taught throughout the U.S. and is the author of five books, including *Inner Power: Secrets of Tibet and the Orient*. Al Rapaport, with over 17 years experience in Zen and other forms of meditation, is the leader of the Northampton Zen Group and Producer of Whole Health Expos. This synthesis of Yoga and Meditation training is unlike any other workshop or system of study. Suitable for beginning or advanced practitioners. The cost is only \$20 for the day. Space is limited, and early registration is advised. Call 586-4269 to register or for more information.

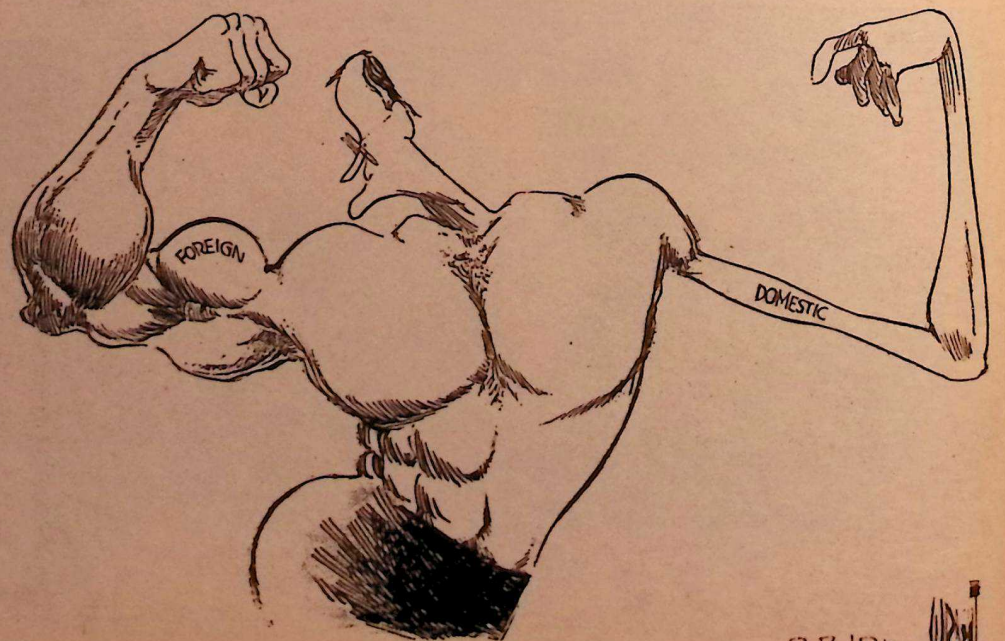
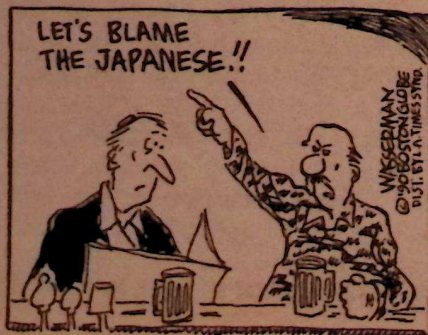
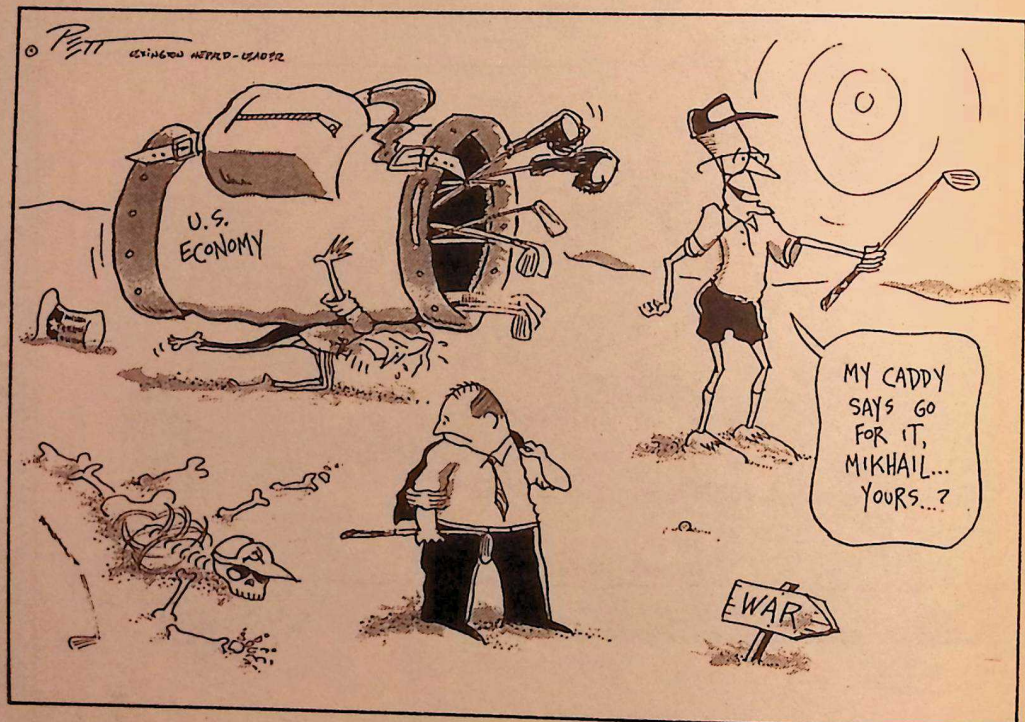
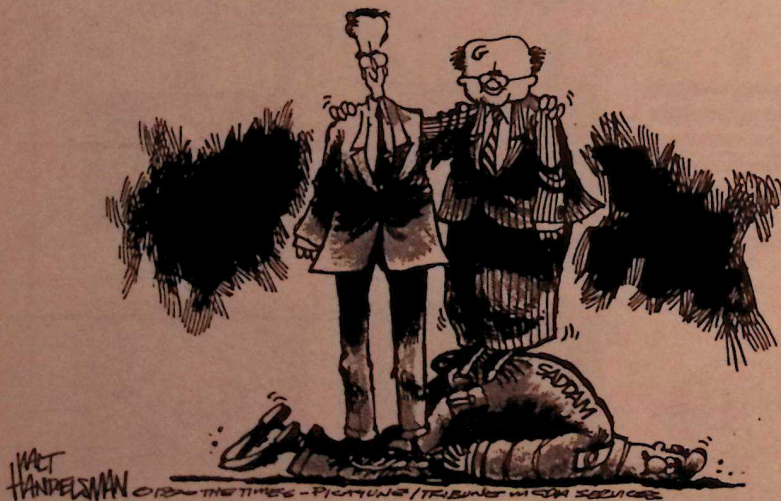
POLITICING

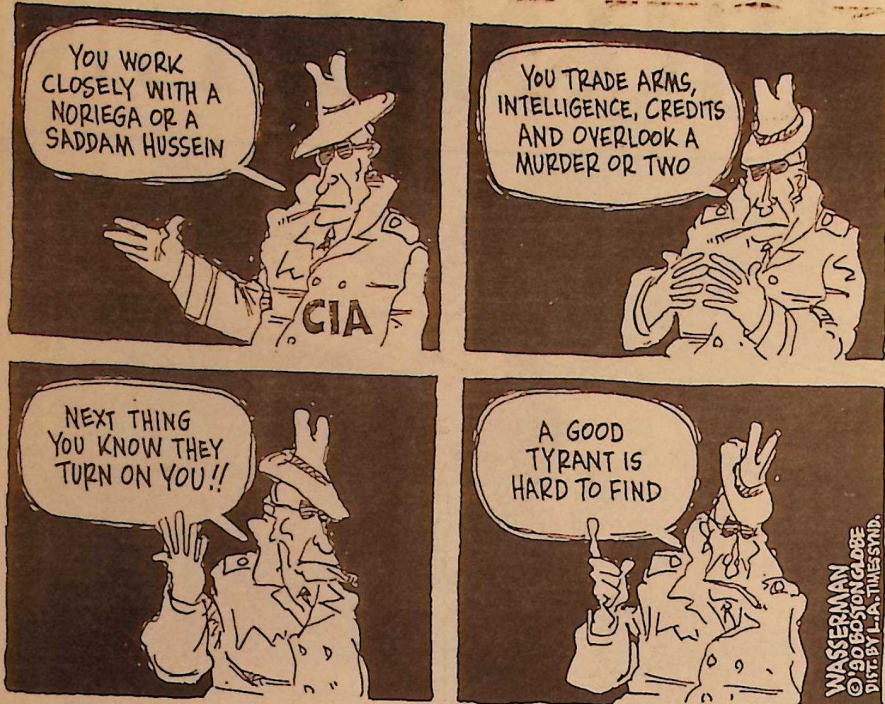


© 1990 THE TIMES - PICTURE / TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES
WALT HANDELSMAN



...SHOULDER TO SHOULDER...



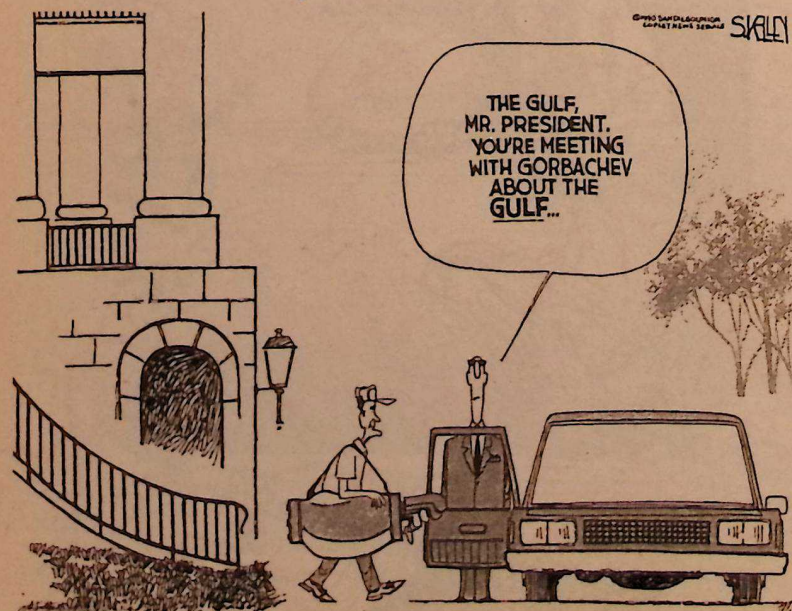
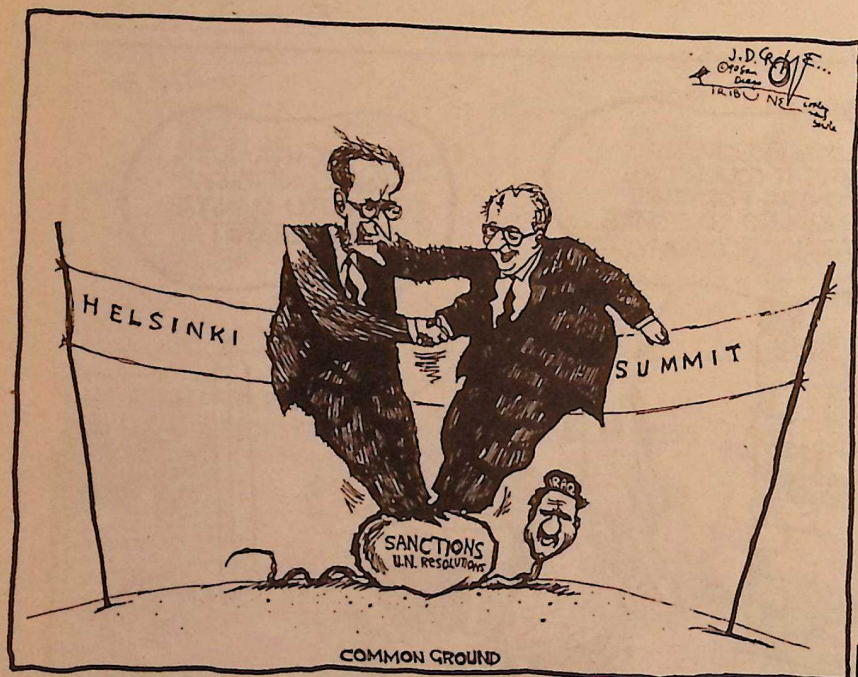


THE BLACK SHEEP

COME SHARE THE BOUNTY

79 Main Street
Amherst, MA.
253-3442

58 Main Street
Northampton, MA.
586-3055



Fez Food
68 MASONIC ST. 586-8011

OPEN 24 HOURS

We're open 24 hours. Every day.
So the next time you need something done real late, we'll be open for you.

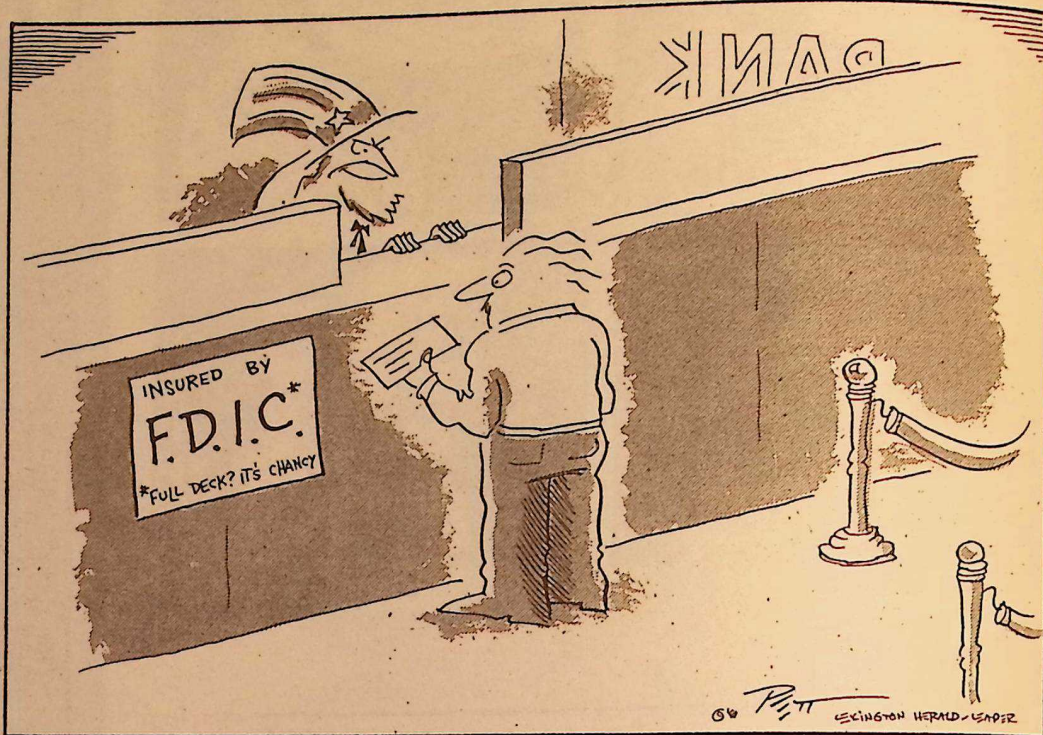
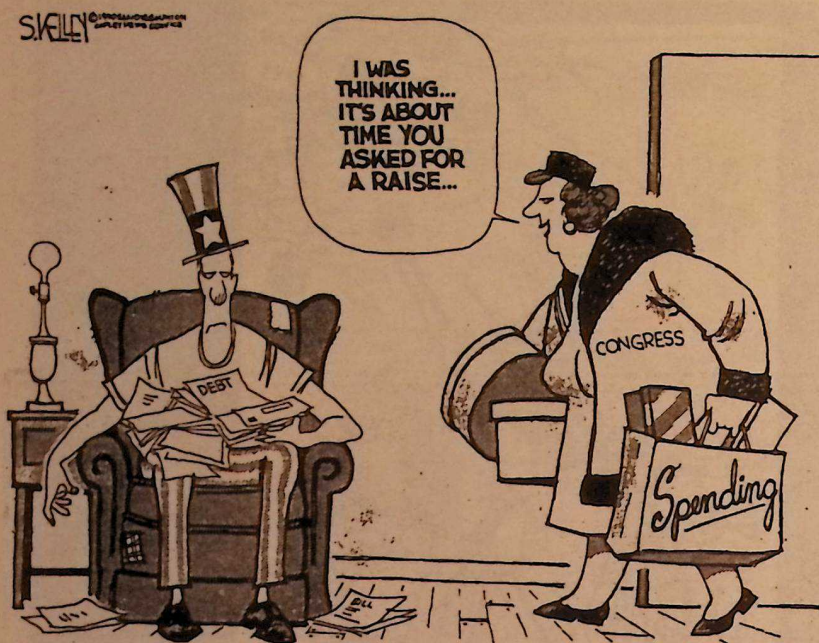
220 North Pleasant St.
Amherst, MA.
253-2543

kinko's
the copy center

TUES THRU SUN

THE OTHER PROBLEM

SKELLY © 1993 SKELLY



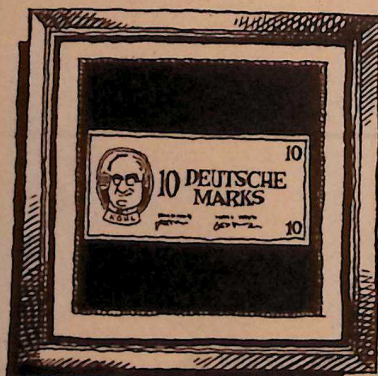
OWEN THE CREATOR OF GARGOYLE BY TITUS LINE

EAST GERMANY,
PRE-UNIFICATION

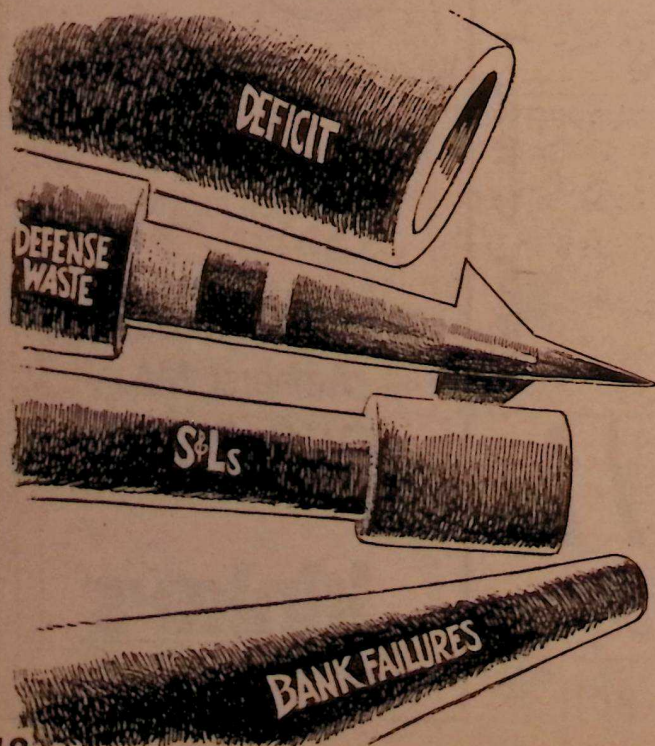
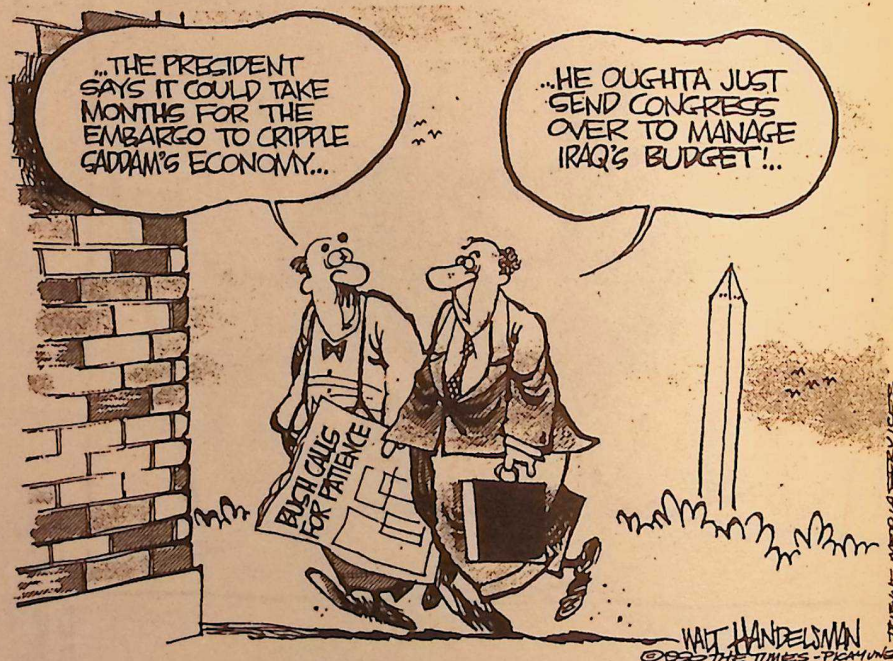


MARX.

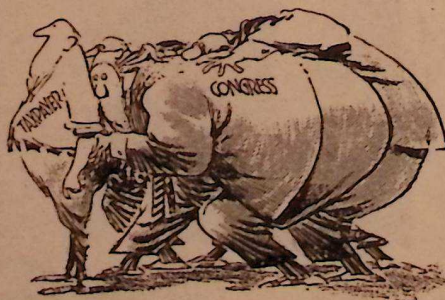
EAST GERMANY,
POST-UNIFICATION

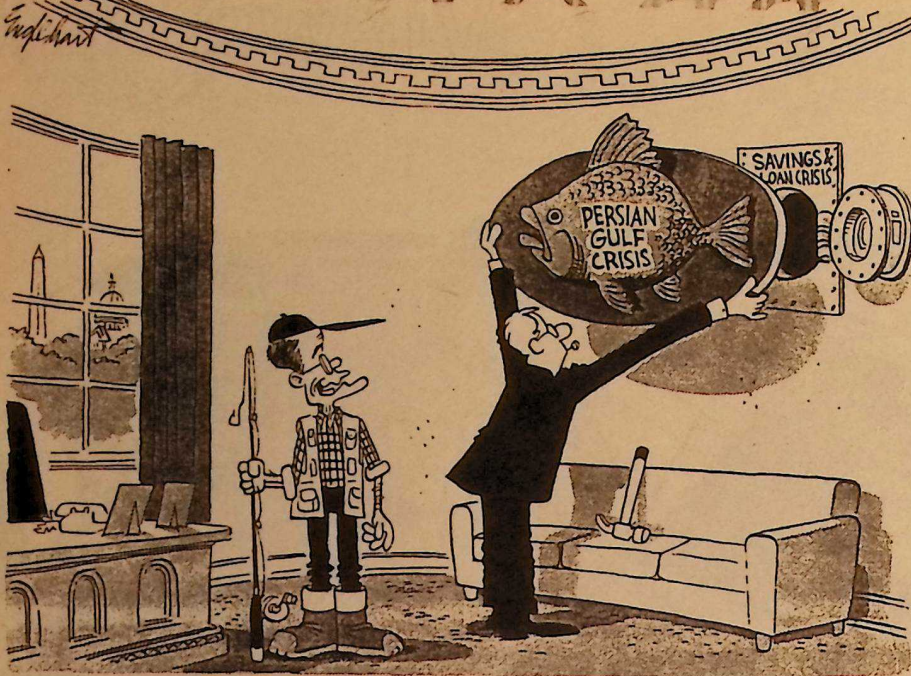


MARKS.

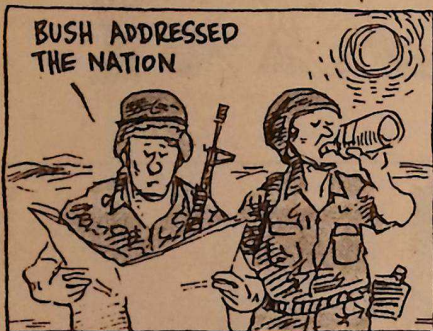


OPERATION
BUDGET SHIELD

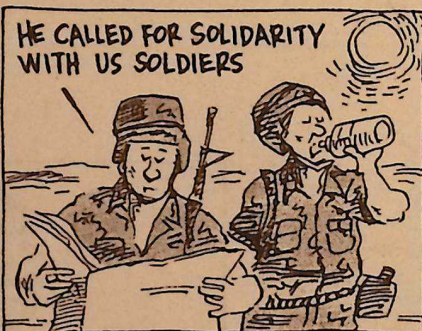




"THAT'S GOOD...HANG IT RIGHT THERE!"



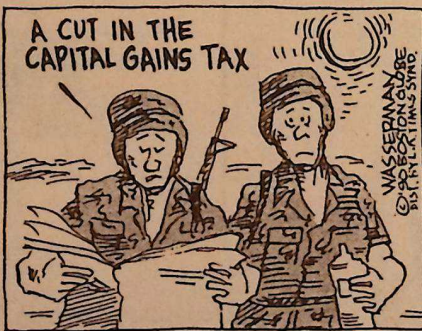
BUSH ADDRESSED
THE NATION



HE CALLED FOR SOLIDARITY
WITH US SOLDIERS

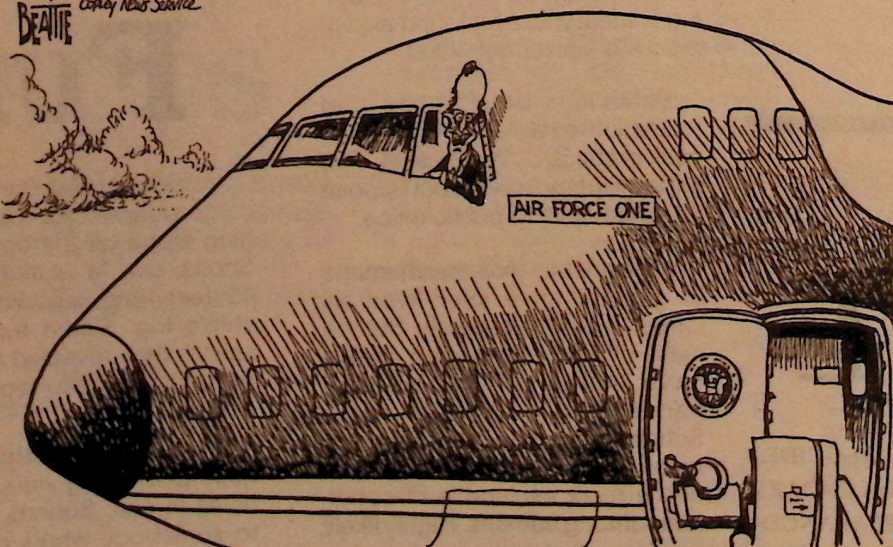


HE ASKED AMERICANS
TO MAKE A SACRIFICE
WHAT SACRIFICE?

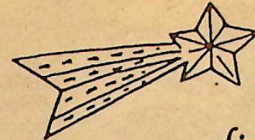


A CUT IN THE
CAPITAL GAINS TAX

WASHERMAN
OF THE
CAPITAL GAINS TAX



"She's got hi-tech communications gear, an office, a bedroom suite, shower stall, and conference rooms. DONALD TRUMP, EAT YOUR HEART OUT!"



413-256-6217

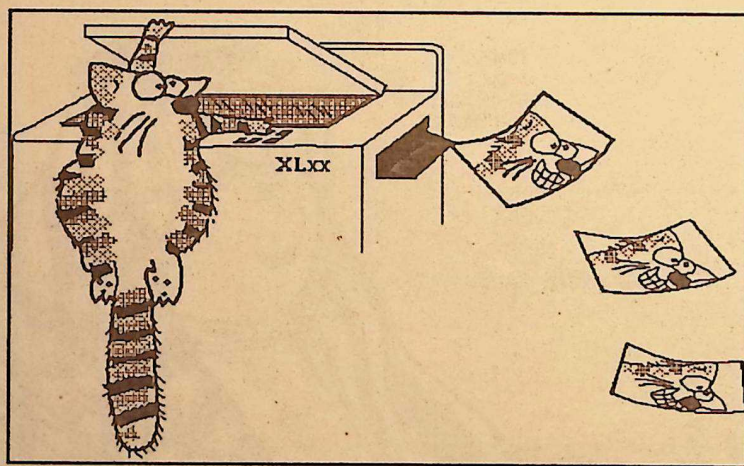
*fine instruments
bought and sold
repaired and restored*

Fretted Instrument Workshop

49 So. Pleasant St., Amherst, Mass. 01002

RÉSUMÉ

Great Service • Great Prices



COPYCAT PRINT SHOP

228 Triangle St./Amherst 32 Pleasant St./Northampton
(413) 549-3840 (413) 586-1332



ATILAS

Pizzas Subs & Salads

53 Main St. Florence, MA. 01060

Call for deliveries after 5 pm

(minimum delivery \$5)

584 - 9946

GRINDERS

meatball
sausage
steak & cheese
roast beef
ham & cheese
cold cut

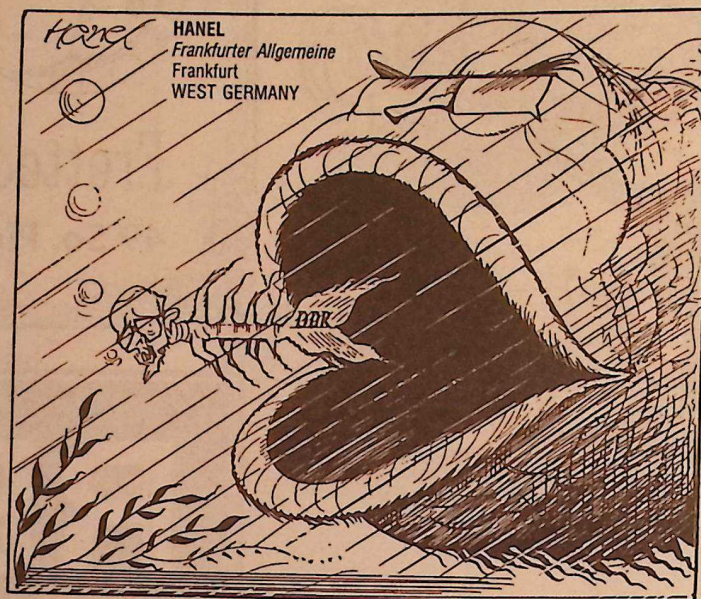
PIZZAS

Toppings	small	large
Cheese	\$5.95	\$8.95
1	\$7.10	\$10.30
2	\$8.25	\$11.65
3	\$9.40	\$12.95
4	\$10.55	\$14.35

Views of the W

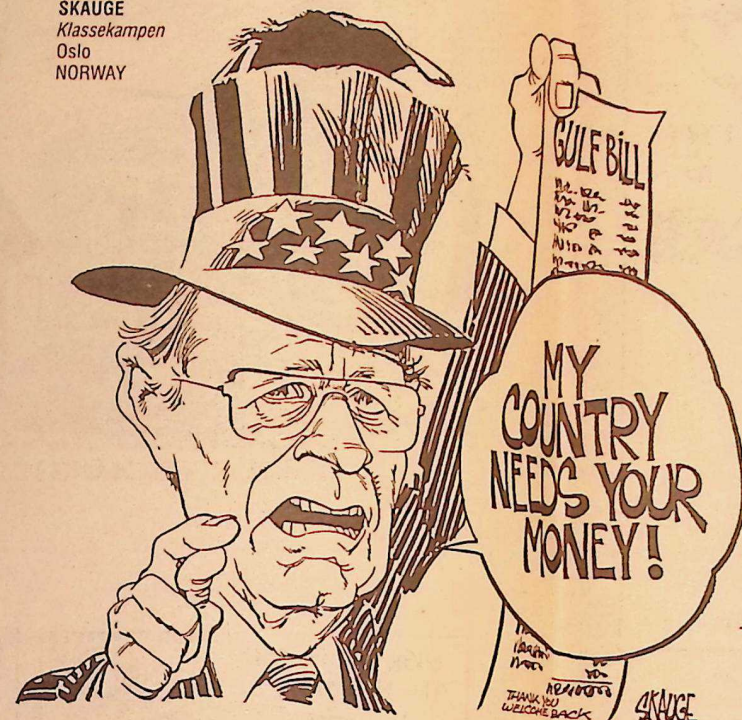


ZLATOVSKY
Krokodil
Moscow
U.S.S.R.



HANEL
Frankfurter Allgemeine
Frankfurt
WEST GERMANY

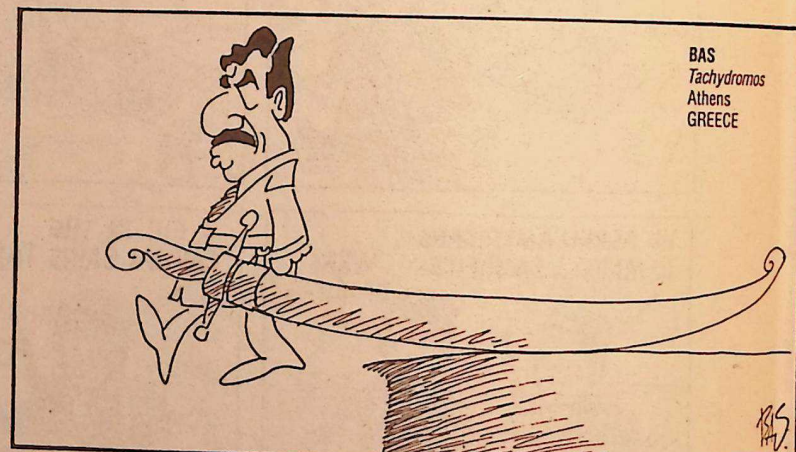
SKAUGE
Klassekampen
Oslo
NORWAY



TOM
Trouw
Amsterdam
NETHERLANDS



KING FAHD



BAS
Tachydromos
Athens
GREECE

Oceanographers in 1962 sailed their observatory ship to a point south of Japan, there better to view the predicted eruption of Myojin, an undersea volcano that had been vibrating ominously. It blew. Exactly below them. Nothing of them was ever found except pieces of splintered wood.

Politicians didn't build that reputation overnight. All the way back in 600 B.C., Aesop said, "We hang the petty thieves, but appoint the great ones to public office."

No evidence indicates humans in general have ever lived as loners. Individuals, surely. But the mass of men and women always have paired off in perennial partnerships akin to marriage. Scholars say this pattern of centuries suggests aloneness is one of the most intolerable of conditions among humans. Highly likely you knew that.

In conversations, women stand closer to women than men to men.

The Aztecs figured out an interesting system to cut their school dropout rate. No man could marry until he'd graduated. Even then, he had to get permission from his former schoolmaster.

Soldiers told not to a of their hos Traditional obligated to th sions to th Fahd: Mig you've got

FUN FAC

In June of 1956, crewmen of the cargo steamer "Rhapsody," chugging along off the coast of Nova Scotia, saw "a white turtle" about 45 feet long, according to that ship's log. Some turtle. But research then revealed an even bigger one had been reported thereabouts in 1883.

A sports statistician insists more than 100 golfers daily make holes in one. Sounds pretty high to somebody who's never made one.

Pandas perceive color. And they hate red. If it's red and small, they'll attack it. If it's red and large, they'll run from it.

Q. Where speechwrit about "a t light"?

A. From the Wolfe.

Q. Do ha anything in c

A. Four m searchers h "cooperativ "cautious" stable."

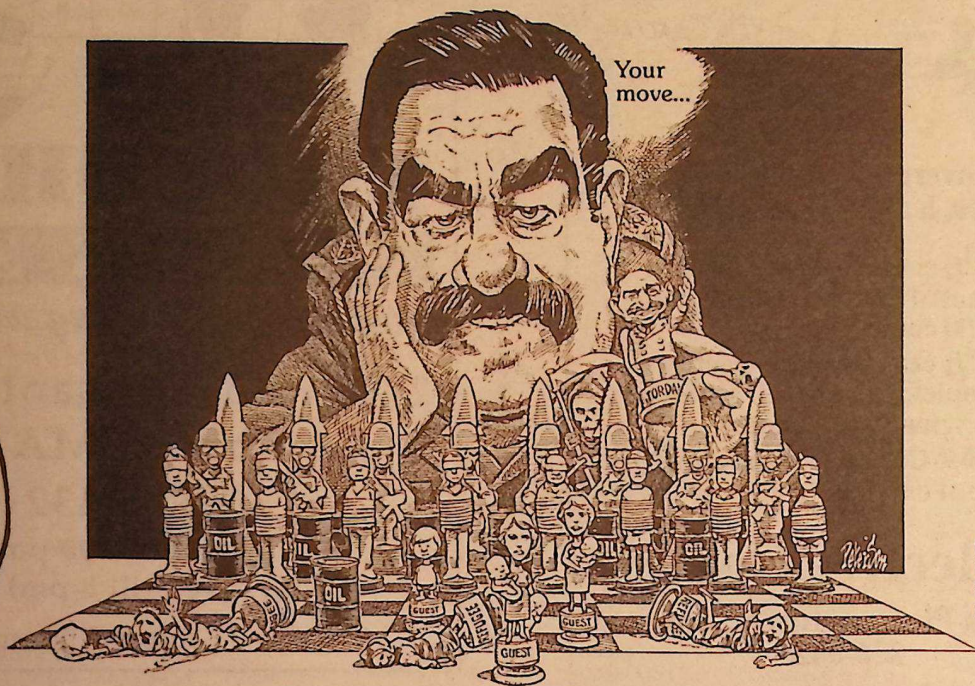
One persc eats with a k Two in seven in seven, fing

HARDCOVER & PAPERBACK • BEST SELLERS • CHILDREN'S BOOKS • FICTION & NON-FICTION
MYSTERY • SCI-FI • LITERATURE • POETRY • BIOGRAPHY • HISTORY • POLITICS • PSYCHOLOGY
WOMEN'S STUDIES • MUSIC • ART & ARCHITECTURE • PHOTOGRAPHY • REFERENCE • MAPS &

BROADSIDE BOOKS HOP

TRAVEL • FOREIGN LANGUAGE TAPES • MAGAZINES & JOURNALS • NATURE & FIELD GUIDES
HUMOR BOOKS • COOKBOOKS • GARDENING • BARGAINS & REMAINDERS • CALENDARS
BOOKS-ON-CASSETTE • SPECIAL ORDERS • OUT-OF-PRINT-SEARCHES • AUTHOR APPEARANCES
247 MAIN STREET • NORTHAMPTON • MASSACHUSETTS • 01060 • 413 586-4235

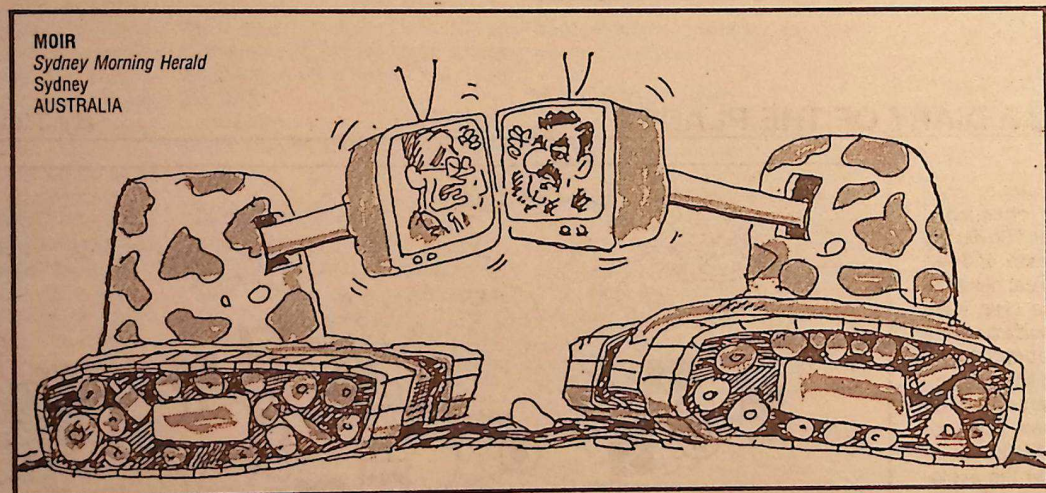
GULF BILL
MY COUNTRY
DOES YOUR
MONEY!



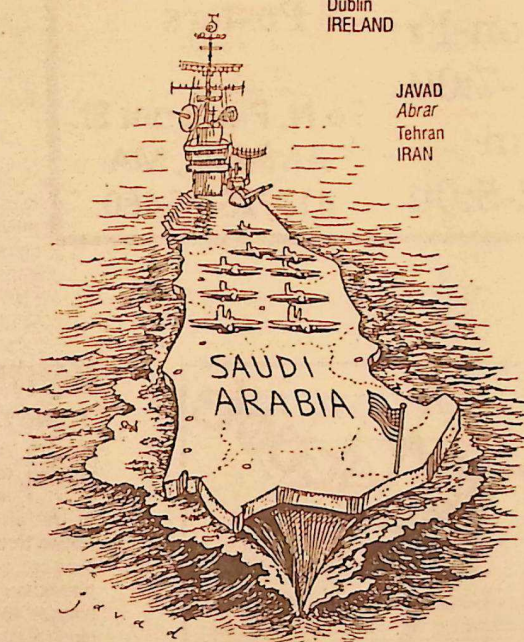
PETERSON
Vancouver Sun
Vancouver
CANADA



TURNER
The Irish Times
Dublin
IRELAND



MOIR
Sydney Morning Herald
Sydney
AUSTRALIA



JAVAD
Abrar
Tehran
IRAN

Soldiers in Saudi Arabia are told not to admire the possessions of their hosts. At least, not outloud. Traditional Arabs, it's said, feel obligated to give admired possessions to the admirers. Memo to Fahd: Mighty pretty Mercedes, you've got there, King.

Mozart's father, Leopold, directed Court musicians in Salzburg. They brought their cellos and violins and flutes to Leopold's house. To practice and perform there. Almost daily from the beginning, even in the womb, it's presumed, Mozart heard exquisite music.

Q. If Abraham Lincoln so disliked the nickname "Abe," what did his wife Mary call him?

A. Either "Mr. Lincoln" or "Father."

Yogi Berra also said, "Baseball is 90 percent physical and the other half is mental."

Which is more addictive — drinking or smoking? It's now known 15 percent of the liquor sippers become dependent on alcohol while 90 percent of the cigarette smokers become dependent on nicotine.

When your dad was a lad, or maybe your granddad, that war zone called Lebanon was considered one of the world's safest and most beautiful places to live. It was known once as "The Land of Milk and Honey." Everything changes but king crabs and cockroaches, I guess. They've been the same for 200 million years.

Witness reports a little girl tipped her trike in mud, and came up gunky. Her dad said, "You're pretty dirty, aren't you?" She said, "Guess so, but I'm prettier clean."

Families in Java, Hungary and elsewhere traditionally plant a tree whenever one of their own has a baby. A quaint and gentle practice, this, in bygone years. Long before "greenhouse effect" became a catch phrase. But if such a custom were internationalized now, would it not be oh so much more significant?

Almost all chimpanzees in the wild fall out of trees and break bones. Examinations of chimp skeletons prove that.

Writes a client: "Once as an office boy, I got ahold of a rubber stamp imprinted: 'These prices are negotiable.' I stamped it inside restaurant menus all over town."

No animal can make a louder noise than the lion, it's said.

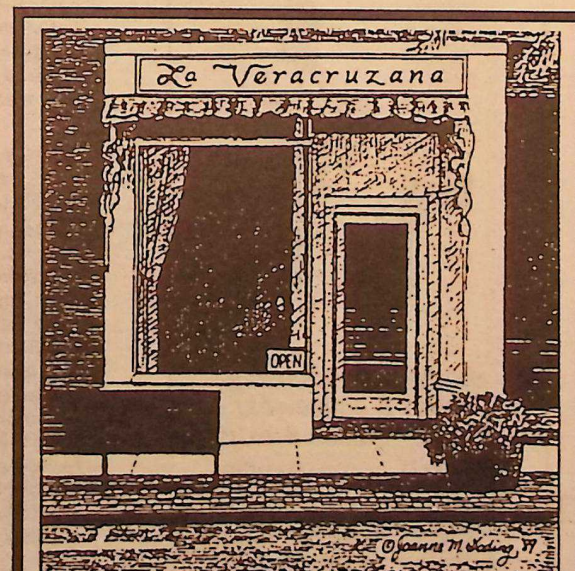
Q. Where did George Bush's speechwriter get that phrase about "a thousand points of light"?

A. From the prose poet Thomas Wolfe.

Q. Do happy husbands have anything in common?

A. Four mentionables, if the researchers have it right. They're "cooperative," "conservative," "cautious" and "emotionally stable."

One person in seven worldwide eats with a knife, fork and spoon. Two in seven use chopsticks. Four in seven, fingers only.



44 Main st Northampton
586 - 7181

11:30 - 11 pm 7 days a week
TAKE OUT AVAILABLE!

La Veracruzana

Check out our daily specails!

Now serving ORGANIC COFFEE and the best HOT CHOCOLATE in the Valley!

CROSSROADS COMICS

- * New Comics
- * Back Issues
- * Discount Subscriptions



- * New & Used Games
- * Miniatures
- * T-Shirts
- * Dice
- * Posters

Open
Mon-Fri
11-7:00
Sun
12-5:00

96 N. Pleasant St.
Amherst, MA
413/253-3480



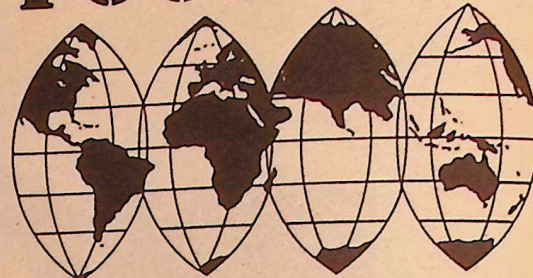
Low, overnight, bulk rates for posters, leaflets, handbills, etc.

- 2 1/2 cent Regular copies; at least 10 copies per original, 400 copies total.
- 3 1/2 cent Graphic Quality copies; at least 400 copies per original, uncollated.
- 20# Colored Paper: only 1/2 cent extra per copy.

Collective Copies

29 South Pleasant Street, Amherst
256-6425

FOOD FOR



THOUGHT BOOKS

ideas for a changing world

27 South Pleasant St.
Amherst, MA
413/253-5432
Mon.-Sat 9:30-6:00 pm
(Thur. eve. 'till 8 pm)
Sunday 12 noon-5:00 pm



for the dancer in you




•bodywear •footwear
•sport & activewear
•fashion •basics & extras
(413) 586-8050
2nd Floor, Thomas Marketplace
150 MAIN ST., NORTHAMPTON, MA




EARTHWEEK: A DIARY OF THE PLANET

By Steve Newman

Toxic Cloud

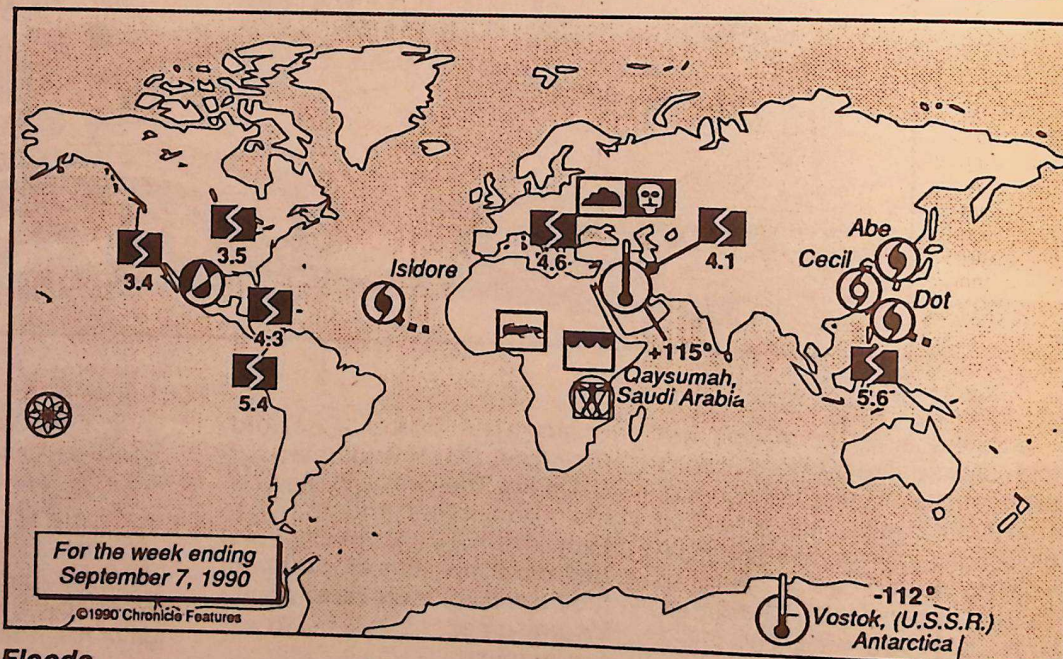
 A poisonous cloud, containing toxic chemicals, hovered over the Soviet city of Ufa after an explosion and fire ripped through a chemical plant. All medical centers in the area were placed on alert, and residents were warned to remain indoors until the cloud had passed. A stream of chemicals from the facility also poured into the nearby Olmka river that provides more than half of Ufa's drinking water. The day after the explosion, levels of phenol, a potentially lethal chemical that paralyzes the central nervous system, were discovered to be 37 times higher in the river than the acceptable limit.

Black Death


 A health alert was declared in the Kenyan capital of Nairobi following an outbreak of bubonic plague which killed three people from a low-income neighborhood, and sickened 23 others. The three victims worked at a flour mill that has been closed temporarily as a precaution against the further spread of the disease. Also known as the Black Death, bubonic plague killed millions when it swept across Europe and parts of Asia in the 14th century. It is transmitted by flies from infected rats, and is treatable with antibiotics.

Tropical Storms


 High winds and flooding from typhoon Abe killed 108 people as it swept across Taiwan and the Chinese mainland. The storm later brought gales and heavy rains to the Korean peninsula. Tropical storm Cecil formed suddenly before moving ashore close to where typhoon Abe had brought its worst fury only six days earlier. Typhoon storm Dot was taking aim on Taiwan late in the week. Hurricane Isidore moved harmlessly across the open waters of the central Atlantic Ocean.




Floods

 More than 350,000 people were left without shelter in western Ethiopia after storms and flooding swept away their primitive homes near the Sudanese border. This is the third consecutive year that the Gambela region along the Baro River has been hit by such a disaster. In contrast, northern Ethiopia remains in the grip of an extended drought that has brought on a new round of famine.


Earthquakes

 Further aftershocks of the disastrous June 21 Iranian earthquake rocked the region. Residents of southeastern Cuba, including the U.S. Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay, were shaken awake by a strong tremor before dawn on Sept. 5. Earth movements were also felt in the southern Philippines, central Ecuador, western Yugoslavia, Southern California and Tennessee.


Pests

 Millions of invading grasshoppers and army worms have destroyed staple crops in northern Nigeria's Katsina state. Aerial and ground spraying of pesticides has started in an effort to eradicate the pests.

Drought


 A second year of drought is rapidly depleting reservoirs and aquifers in the northern Mexican state of Nuevo Leon. Homes in the state capital of Monterrey now only get eight hours of running water a day.

Leaks

 An article published in the British journal New Scientists challenges repeated claims by the French Government that debris from its nuclear tests at Mururoa Atoll do not leak into the ocean. According to the report, tests conducted by the oceanographer

Jacques Cousseau in 1987 found the atoll's lagoon to be contaminated with cesium 134 and cesium 137.

Poltergeist

 Tass reported a sober tale of terrifying telekinesis in the Volga region village of Madayev. For seven hours, objects like keys, candles and food swirled through the air inside a house, striking family members and others who came to witness the phenomenon. "Revolted onlookers waved away the unseen ghost that visited the house," said Tass. "Ten men were on duty in the house during these long and tense hours, ready to take some measures in case the stove surged aloft." Militia Lieutenant Sbitnev, who said he witnessed the haunting, reported the details to Soviet Interior Ministry officials in Gorky.

Additional Sources: U. S. Climate Analysis Center, U. S. National Hurricane Center at Miami, U. S. Military Typhoon Warning Center at Guam, U. S. Earthquake Information Center and the World Meteorological Organization.

Record Rains

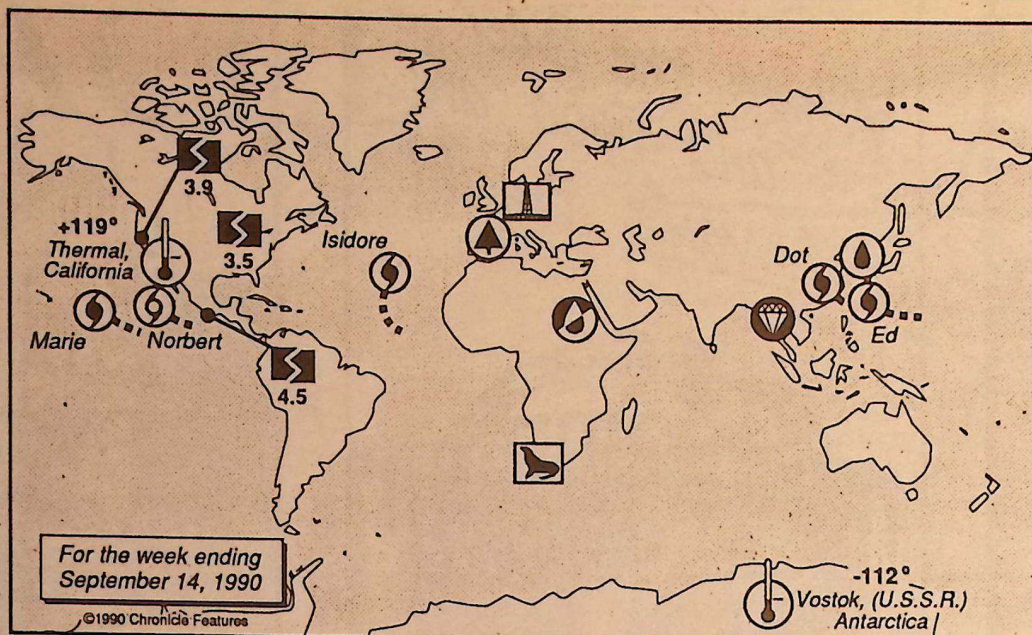
The heaviest 24-hour rainfall to strike the Korean peninsula in 70 years unleashed waves of flooding that killed at least 84 people and left 52 missing. The figures did not reflect casualties from an area west of Seoul where a 110-yard section of the Han River embankment collapsed before dawn on Sept. 12. More than 80 villages disappeared under the resulting surge of water. Korean Television reported that a Buddhist temple was buried in a mudslide with five monks inside. South Korean President Roh Tae Woo called it "the worst weather disaster in memory."

Drought Refugees

Shortages of food and rain in central Sudan have driven an estimated 10,000 people to Khartoum, the capital. Most of the refugees came from northern Kordofan, an area affected by a similar catastrophe in 1984-85. The government announced it was transporting 111,000 tons of sorghum to northern Kordofan to avert another influx of people to the capital, but denied that the country was threatened by famine.

Deeper

The second phase of a project to drill the world's deepest hole got underway near Windischeschenbach, West Germany. The \$330 million program is financed by a number of countries, including the U.S., France, West Germany and Czechoslovakia. More than 200 geologists will study samples as the drilling bores to a depth of 33,000 feet during the next three years. The first phase brought the drill to a point 13,000 feet beneath Europe where the continental plates of Africa, Asia and America joined more than 300 million years ago. One goal of the project is to explore the potential of underground thermal energy.



Tropical Storms

Strong winds and flooding from Typhoon Dot left 23 people dead along a path of destruction across the northern Philippines, Taiwan and China's Fujian province. The storm was the fourth to hit the region within three weeks, and tropical storm Ed was taking a similar path late in the week. Residents of Hawaii were keeping a cautious eye on hurricane Marie, moving toward them across the Pacific with winds of 100 miles per hour.

Hurricane Isidore and tropical storm Norbert moved across open waters.

Giant Gem

Burma's Radio Rangoon reported the discovery of the world's largest sapphire, 979 carats, at a mine near Mong Kyawt. Until the discovery, the 563-carat "Star of India" had been the largest sapphire ever mined.

Earthquakes

A moderate quake rattled the Mexican resort of Acapulco, scaring tourists and panicking a group of schoolchildren, but no damage or injuries were caused by the shaking. Several tremors were felt near where the devastating Loma Prieta earthquake rocked the San Francisco Bay Area on October 17 last year. A weak earth movement was felt in north-eastern Kentucky.

Seal Slaughter

The South African government denied claims made by the country's Seal Action Group that 17,000 seals recently had been culled off the Skeleton Coast in Namibia. Sea Fisheries director Jan Jurgens said that only 256 seals had been killed during the five days ending Sept. 11, but said that a quota of 19,400 seals had been granted for commercial harvesting this year. In July, a storm of

protest in South Africa, backed by French actress Brigitte Bardot, resulted in the suspension of the seal culls off the Cape of Good Hope.

Tree Talk

Some plant species can communicate with one another, and even warn of attackers, a South African zoologist claimed at the International Colloquium on the Tree in Montpellier, France. Wouter van Hoven said he discovered that an acacia tree releases ethylene to warn other plants that it is being munched on. "This message can be carried for 50 yards," van Hoven said. "In less than 15 minutes, a neighboring tree will increase the concentration of tannin in its leaves, which thereby makes it poisonous."

Additional Sources: U.S. National Hurricane Center at Miami, U.S. Military Joint Typhoon Warning Center at Guam, U.S. Climate Analysis Center, U.S. Earthquake Information Center and the World Meteorological Organization.



Study & sleep better.

The Centered Mind

245 Main St.
Suite 204 - 2 doors down
from Barts in Northampton

Student special (1/2 Price)
with this ad

Light & sound
therapy is
fun and it works

M-F 2:30-7 pm Sat. 12-5 pm
(413) 586-5175

's of the Times

- Choice
- Moderation
- Abstinence
- Adopt
- Change is Good
- Designated Driver
- Biodegradable
- Nothing Lasts Forever

J-RICH
CLOTHING FOR MEN

191 N. Pleasant St. 22 Masonic St.
Amherst • 253-2013 Northampton • 586-6336
OPEN 7 DAYS

Where are your Audubon Tapes?

uh, carousel in the
Documentary Section....

VIDEO TO GO

"Where you'll always find something different"
401 Main St., Amherst
256-1509



TOP TEN METHODS USED TO
DEAL WITH VIDEO-TO-GO'S
HUGE SELECTION OF FILMS

6. Stick to Familiar Territory

the
Pepper ♦ Mill
 restaurant

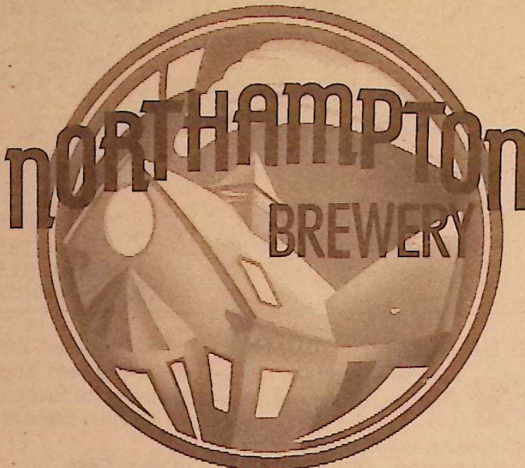
OPEN EVERY NIGHT
 'til 2:00 am
 3:00 am Fri - Sat.

Belgian Waffles,
 Pastries, Entrees

249 Main Steet
 Northampton

(*Bart's old space*)

Where the Beer
 and Food are
Always Fresh!



northampton
 BREWERY

11 Brewster Court • Northampton • 584-9903

SPOLETO



PASTA!
 PASTA!
 PASTA!

Spoletto
 12 Crafts Ave
 Northampton Ma
586-6313

THE BRASS & FERN

THOUSANDS OF RESERVISTS HAVE BEEN CALLED TO DUTY IN THE PAST WEEKS...

MY BOSS?

SPENCE, PHONE FOR YOU, A MR. HEDCHEIZ...

MANY GIVEN ONLY HOURS OF NOTICE THAT THEY WOULD BE TRADING AIR-CONDITIONED JOBS FOR THE HOT DESERT SANDS OF IRAQ. ROLAND HEDLEY HAS MORE ON HOW EMPLOYERS ARE DEALING WITH THIS...

THIS IS SPENCE... YES, HELLO MR. HEDCHEIZ...

NO SIR. I'M NOT IN THE RESERVES...

NO, I HAVEN'T GIVEN ANY THOUGHT TO JOINING RECENTLY. ... WHY?

SPENCE, PHONE FOR YOU...

I DO NOT WANT TO JOIN THE RESERVES!!

SPENCER ACWORTH? SERGEANT HULKA. I UNDERSTAND YOU WANT TO JOIN THE RESERVES...

DID A MAN NAMED HEDCHEIZ CALL AND TELL YOU THAT?!!

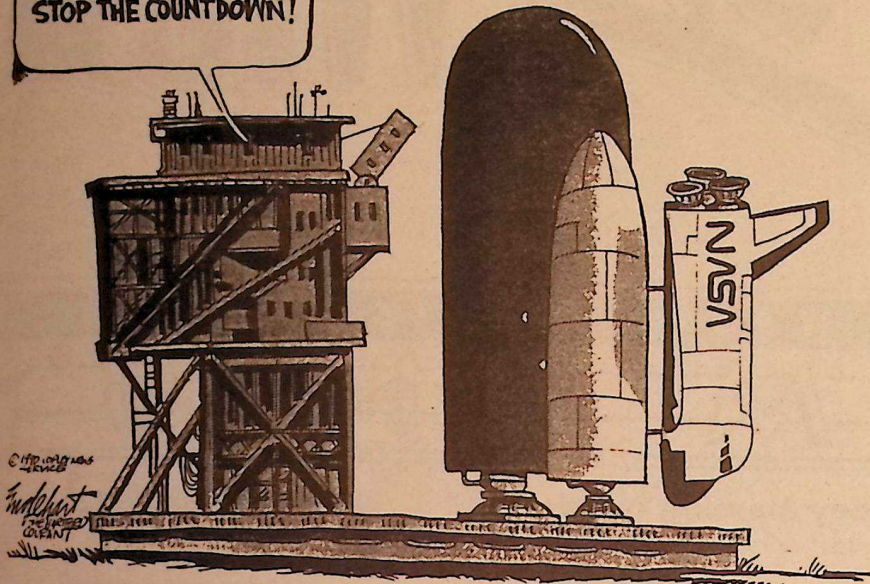
VERY FUNNY FAWN!!

NO, IT WAS A MISS FAWN LIEBOWITZ...

YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU. PLEASE GO.

SPACED

FIVE...FOUR...THREE...
HOLD IT! HOLD IT!...
STOP THE COUNTDOWN!



VAN NOSTRUM THE HAPLESS EXCHANGE STUDENT

AFTER A GRUELING EVENING
STUDYING MEGADODECAHEDRONS
VAN NOSTRUM GETS HUNGRY.



TWO STOMACH SCREAMING
HOURS LATER - THE DELIVERY
GUY ARRIVES...



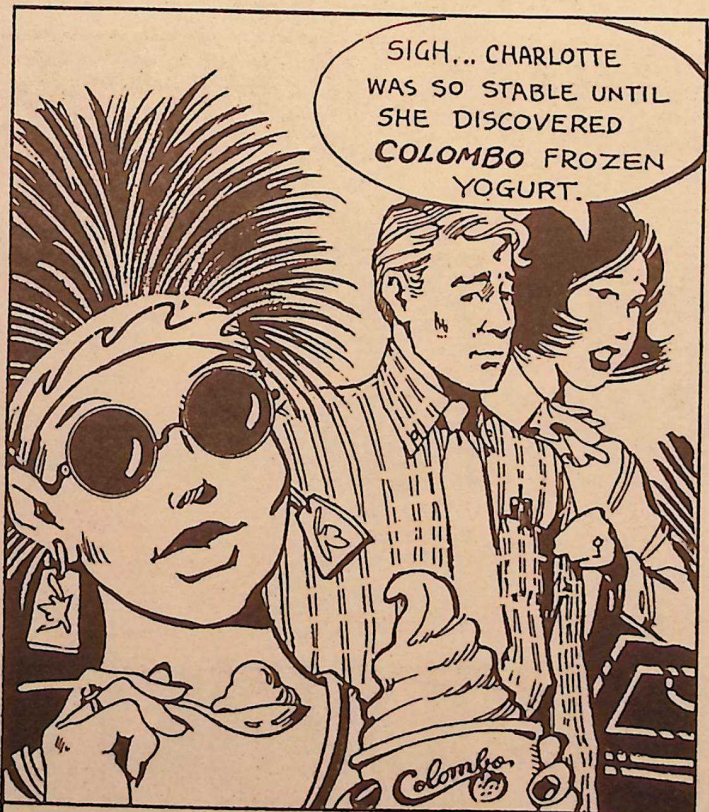
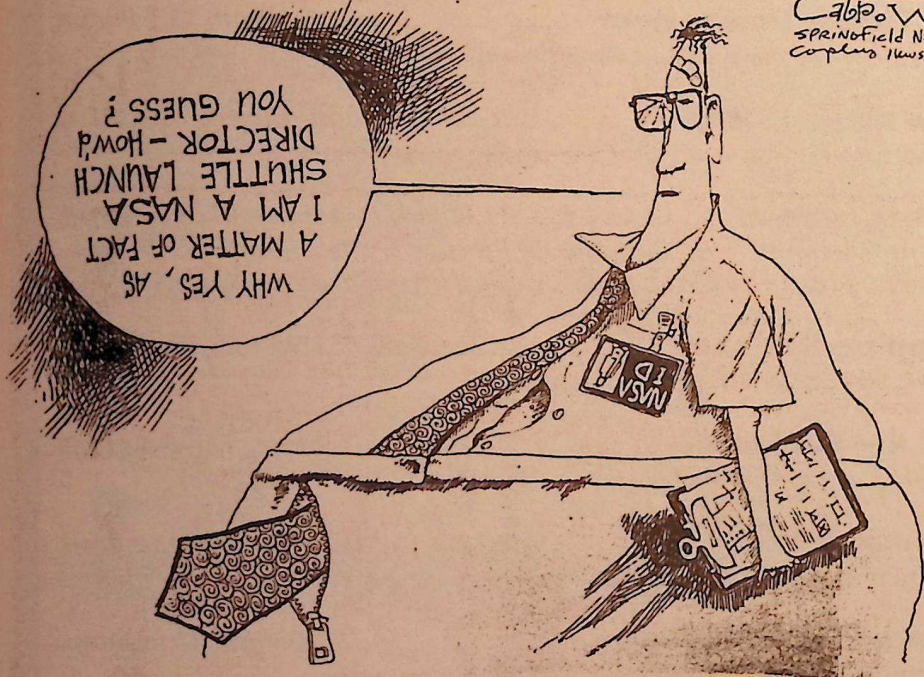
OH NOOO! IT'S EITHER
EAT THIS MESS OR?

A SHORT WALK OR DRIVE TO THE
CENTER OF TOWN AT 50 MAIN ST.



Capto W
SPRINGFIELD NEWS-JAY
Complains News Service

WHY YES, AS
I AM A NASA
SHUTTLE LAUNCH
DIRECTOR - HOW
DO YOU GUESS?

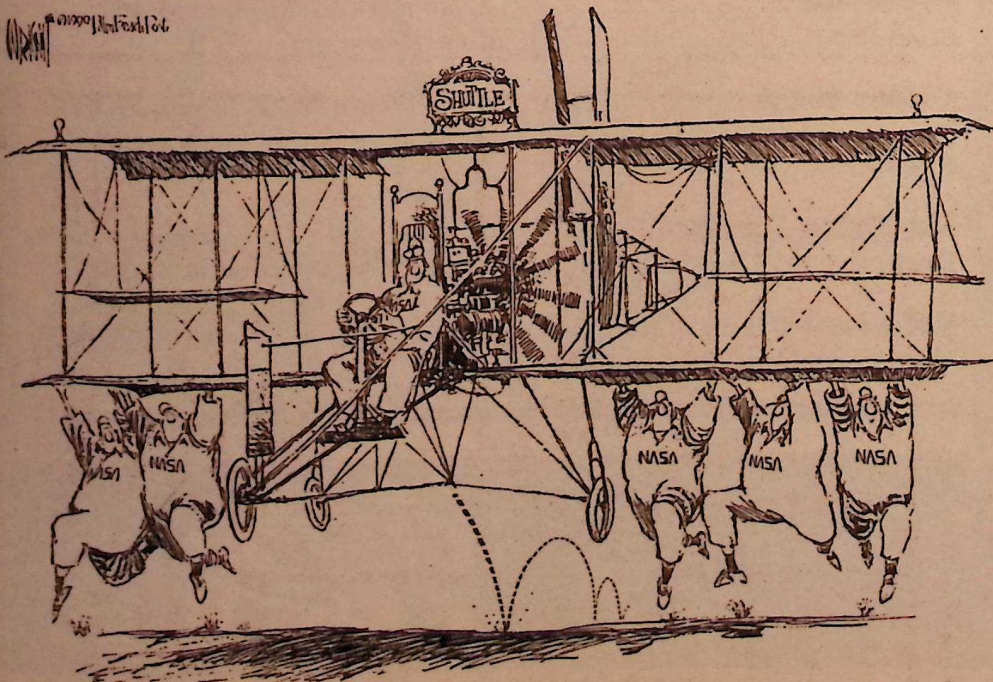


Colombo
FROZEN YOGURT

BANANARAMA
fabulous frozen
YOGURT

Northampton
186 Main St.
Damon Rd.

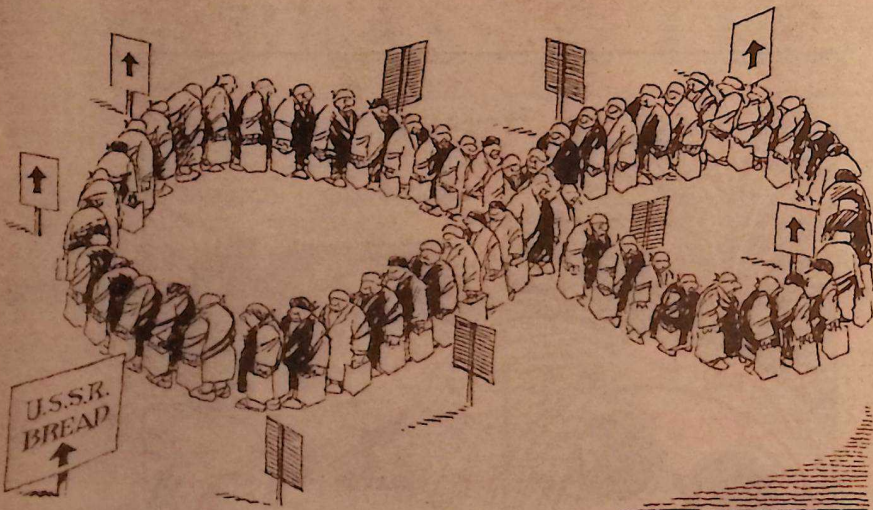
Amherst
Bollwood Walk



U\$\$R



QUINN THE CATHOLICAN GIGGITY-BO



PAUERZ



95.3 WRSI

WRSI'S WEEKLY SPECIALS

M E N U

Sunday Morning Classics7:00 am to 12 noon
Classical Music in a quiet, relaxed setting.

Jazz Cruise7:00 pm to 12:30 am
An exciting, eclectic collection of vintage and contemporary jazz.

The Flower Power Hour6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Classics from the mid-to-late 60's and early 1970's.

New Music Matrix11:00 pm to midnight, Mondays.
A cutting-edge sampling of the week's new releases.

Homegrown11:00 pm to Midnight, Tuesdays.
Johnny Memphis hosts an hour of Pioneer Valley music! Special live sets, plus the latest cassette releases from area artists!

Stepping Out5:00 & 7:00 pm, Wed. - Sat.
Entertainment listings for the Valley.

Ask the Professor7:00 pm, Wednesdays.
A witty, rollicking radio trivia quiz.

Retrospective 11:00 pm to Midnight, Wednesdays.
An incisive hour of music from a featured artist.

New L.P. of the Week11:00 pm, Thursdays.
An important new release played in it's entirety.

Roadhouse7:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Fridays.
Blues, Soul, R&B... Saturday night party music!

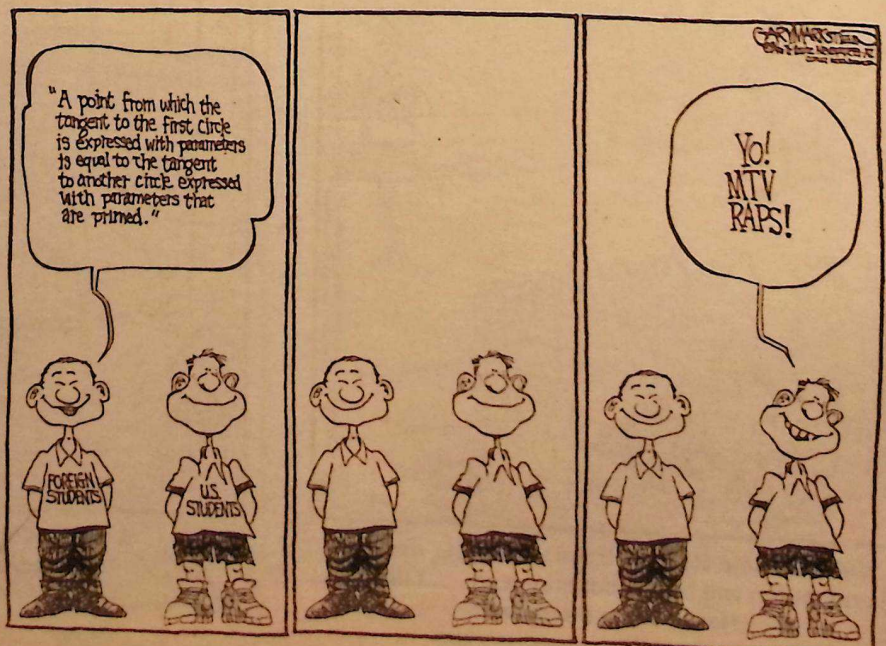
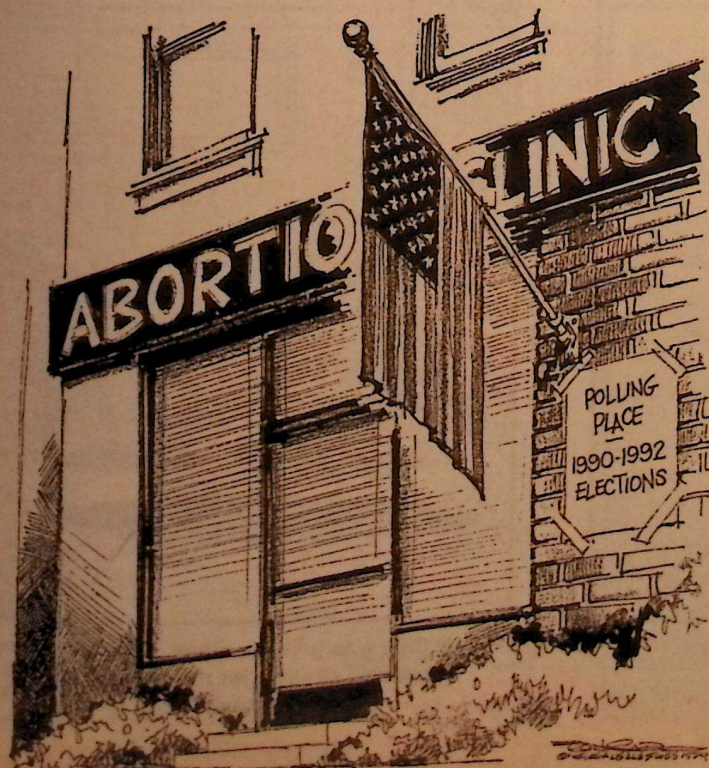
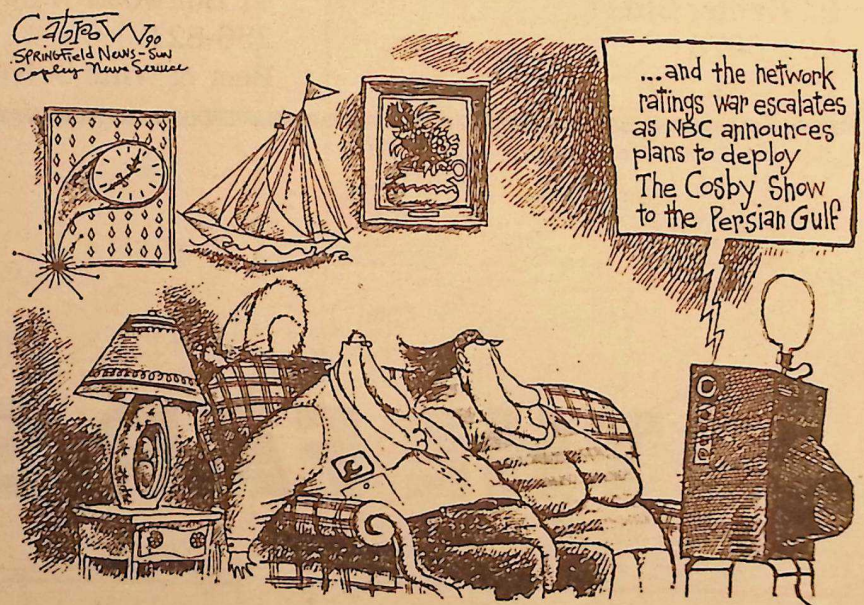
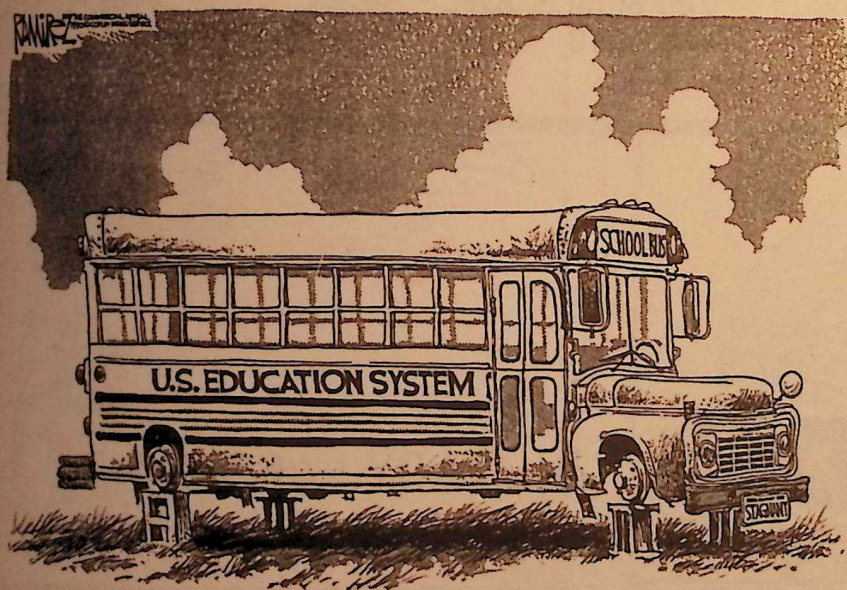
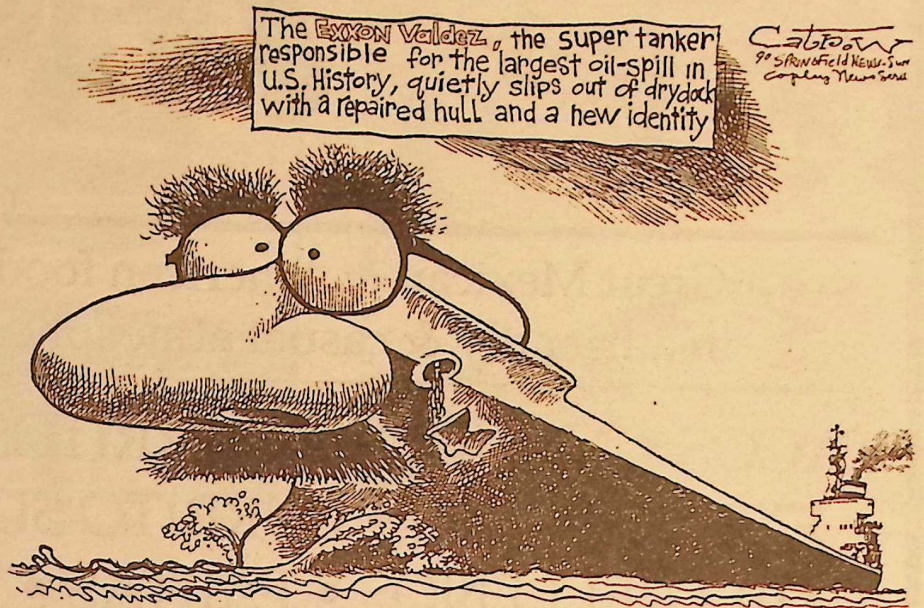
Oldies Show8:00 pm to 12:30 am, Fridays.
Take a walk (or a drive) down Memory Lane with the irrepressible Buddy Rubbish.

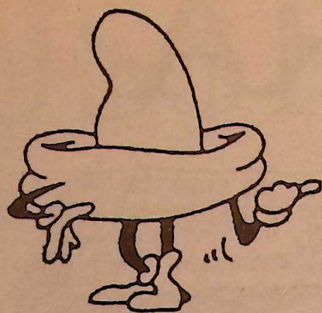
Six String Sunrise6:00 - 8:00 am, Saturdays.
Exploring the latest and the greatest in folk and acoustic music.

RSI Country8:00 - 11:00 am, Saturdays.
Vintage and progressive country music.

95.3 WRSI

EXTRA EXTRA





TACO VILLA

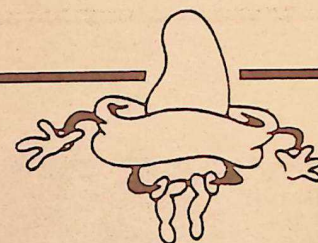
Great Mexican & American food served quickly & inexpensively in a friendly & casual atmosphere. Discover TACO VILLA today!

TACOS • NACHOS • BURRITOS • QUESADILLAS • TAQUITOS
ENCHILADAS • BURRITO SUPREMOS • CHIMICHANGAS
CHILI RELLENOS • FAJITAS • TOSTADAS • MEXICAN PIZZA
BURGERS • DOGS • CHICKEN

Downtown Northampton
21 Center Street
584-0673
B.Y.O.B.

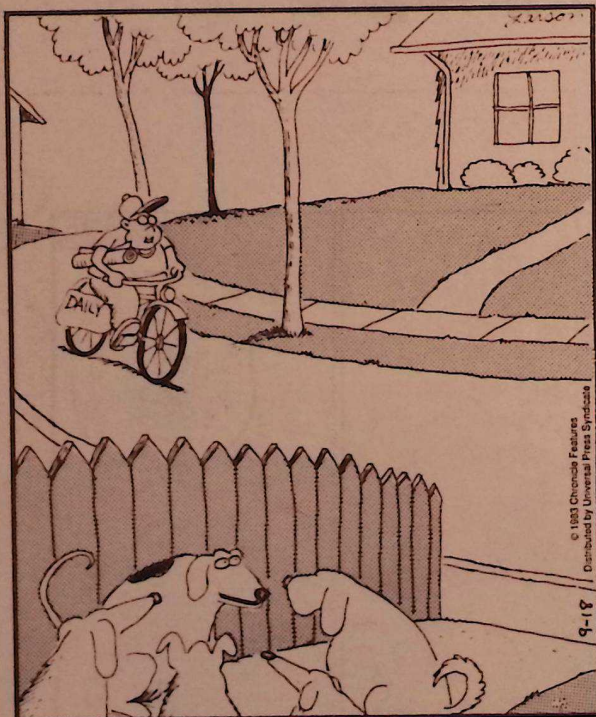
Downtown Amherst
41 Boltwood Walk
256-8217
Beer & Wine Served

Springfield
749 Sumner Ave.
788-0919
B.Y.O.B.

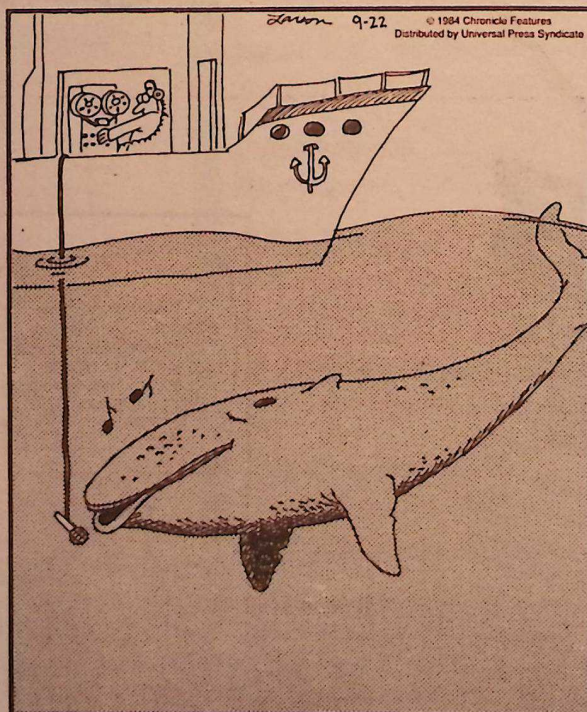


THE FAR SIDE

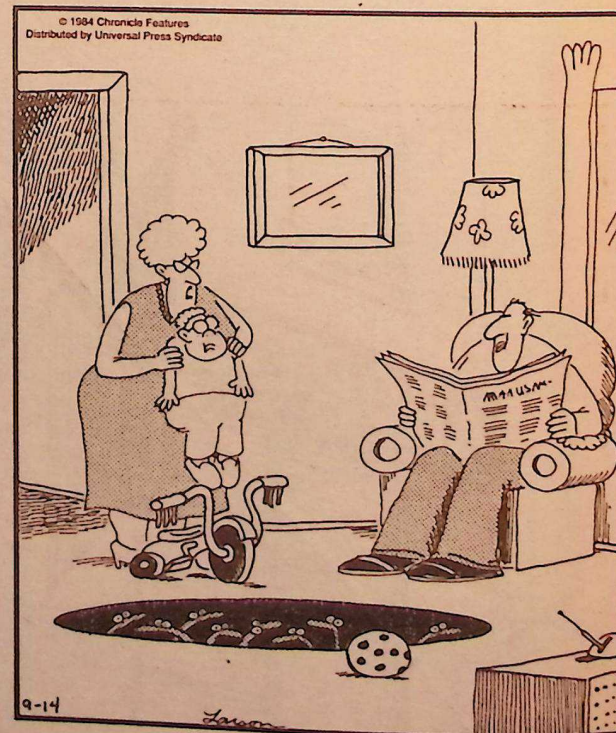
By GARY LARSON



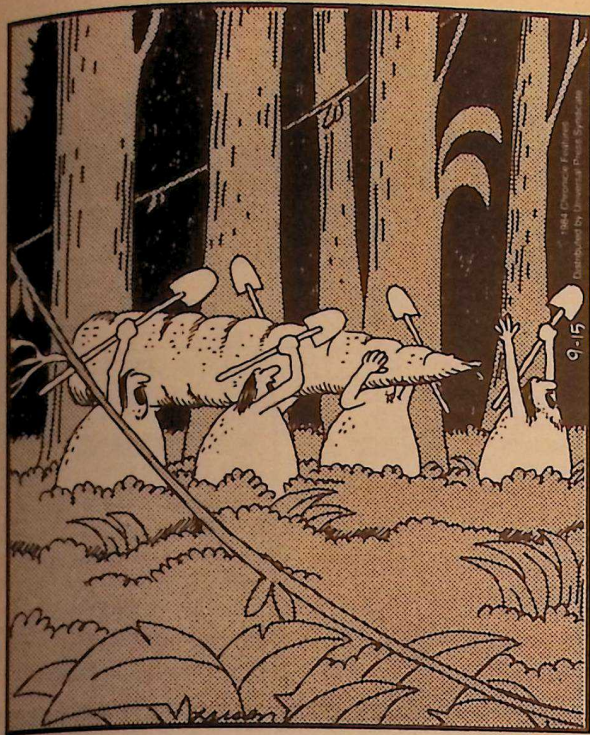
"OK, this time Rex and Zeke will be the wolves, Fifi and Muffin will be the coyotes, and . . . Listen! . . . Here comes the deer!"



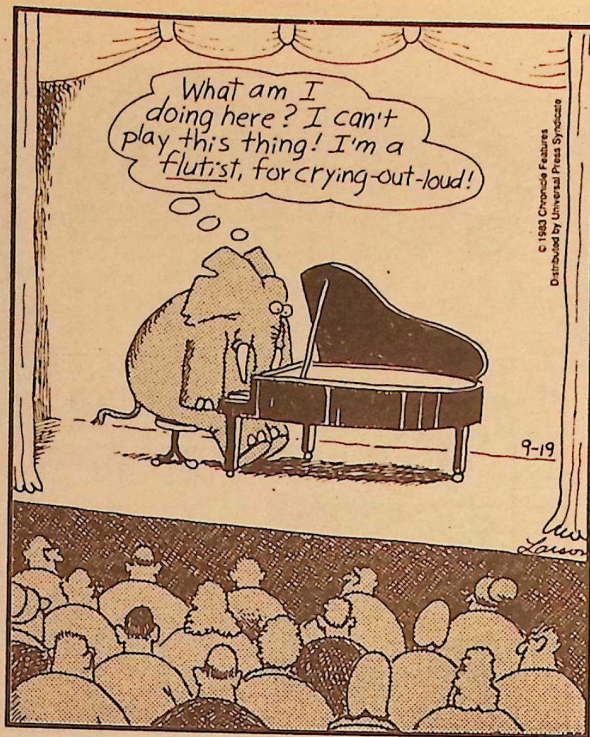
"A Louie, Louie . . . wowooo . . . we gotta go now . . ."



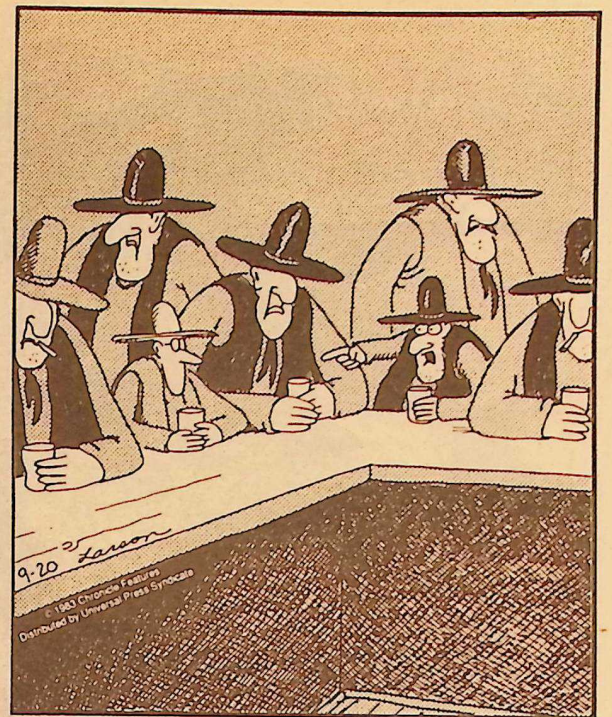
"That time was just too close, George! Jimmy was headed straight for the snake pit when I grabbed him!"



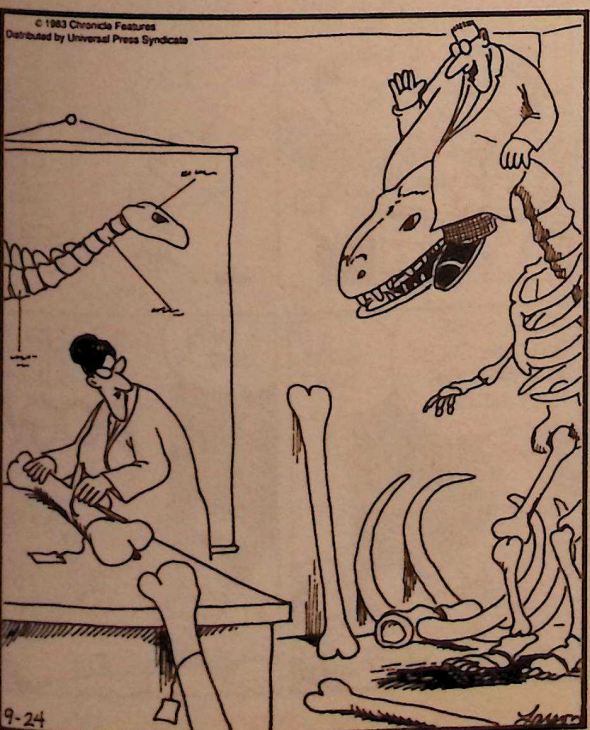
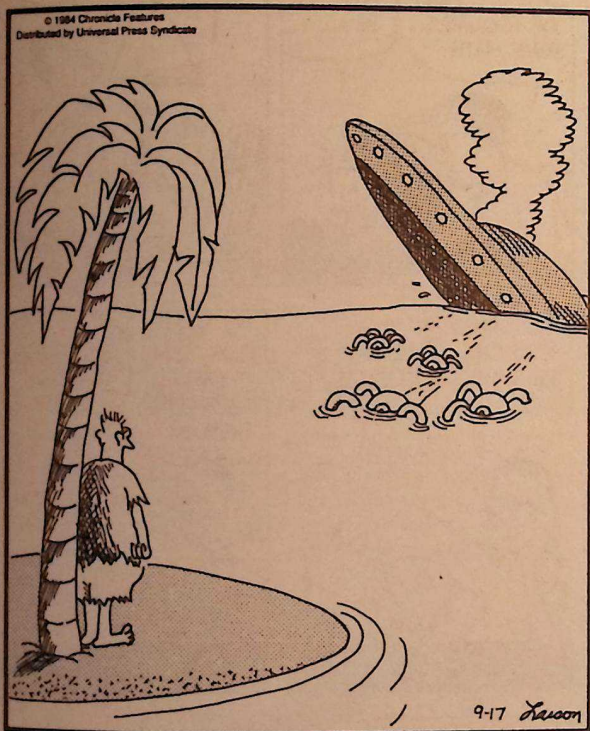
Early vegetarians returning from the kill.



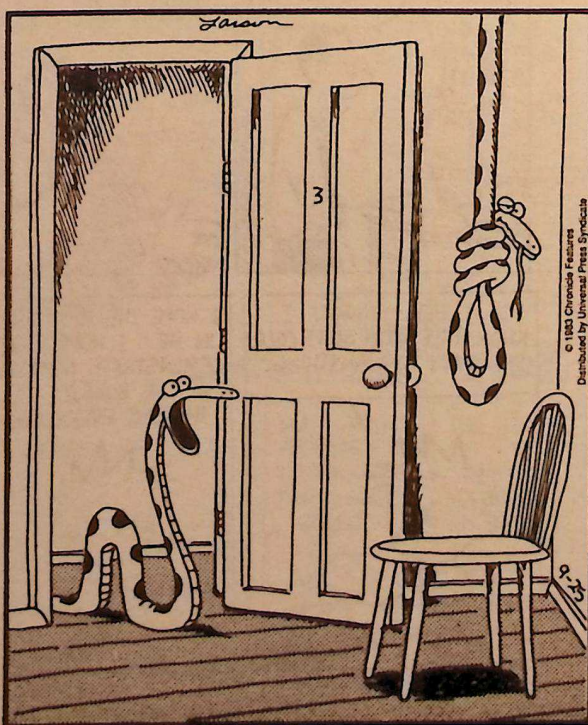
The elephant's nightmare



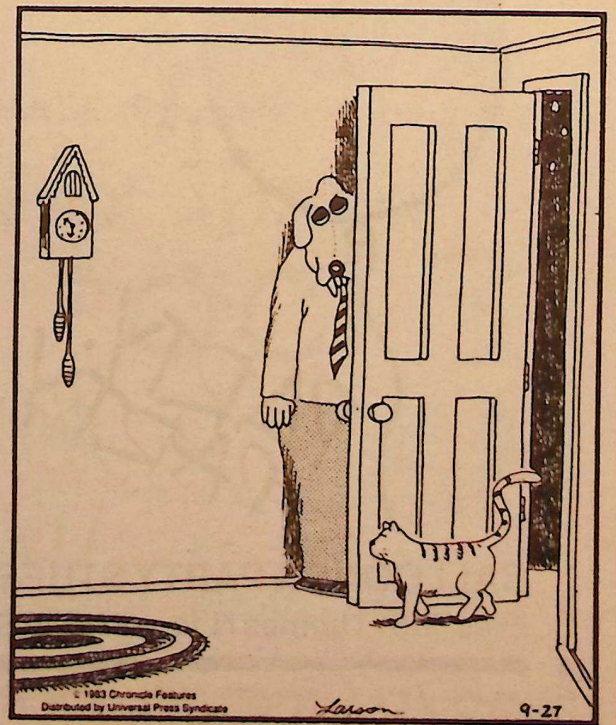
"Hey! You! . . . Yeah, that's right! I'm talkin' to you!"



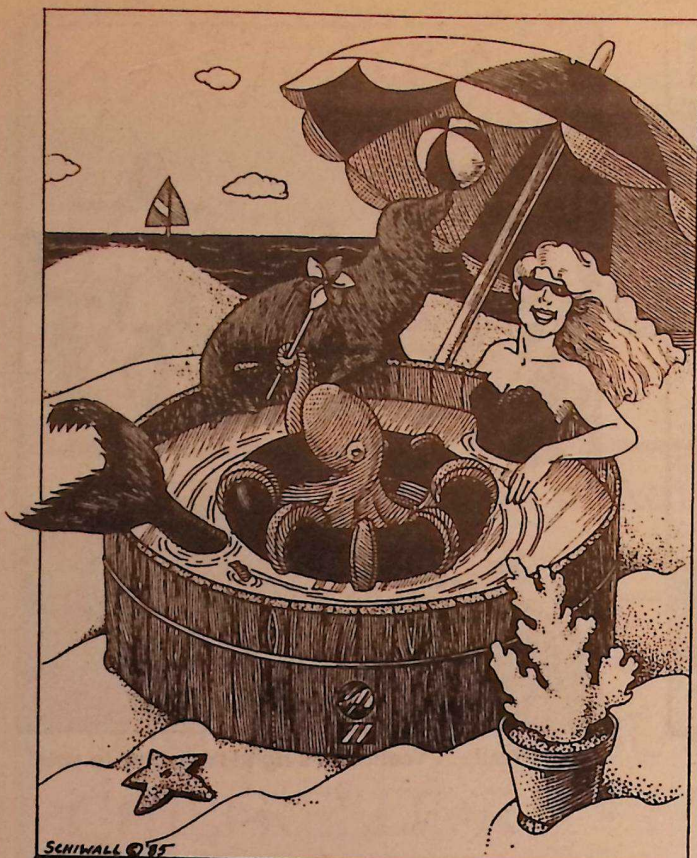
"Hi . . . Hi, Miss Collins."



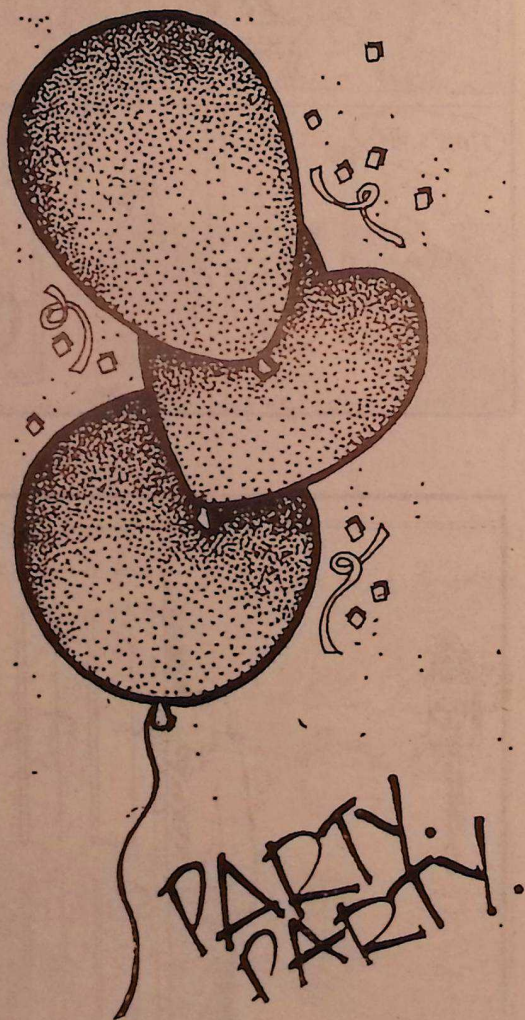
"Oh no, Elliott! Why? . . . Why? . . ."



Games you can play with your cat.



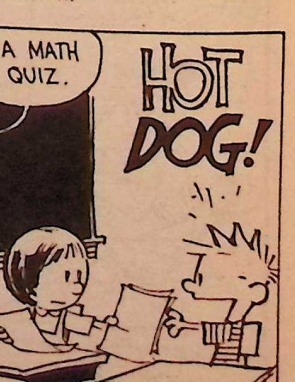
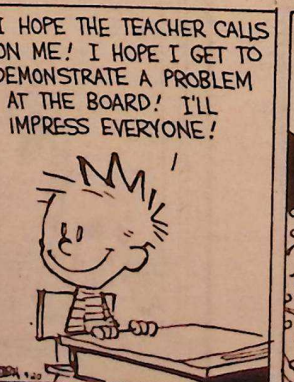
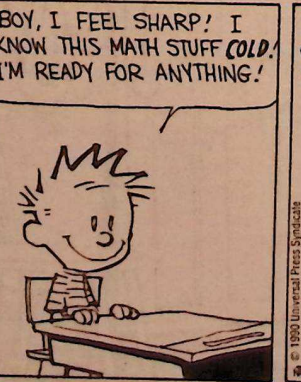
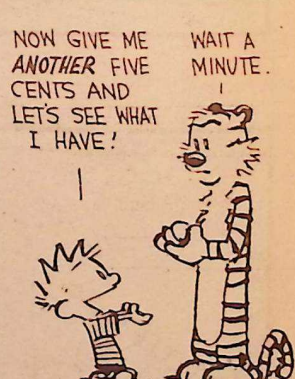
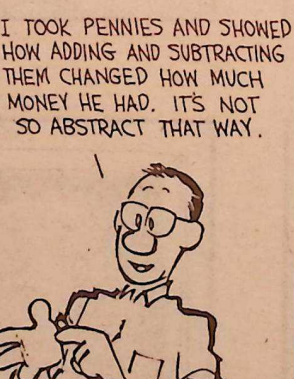
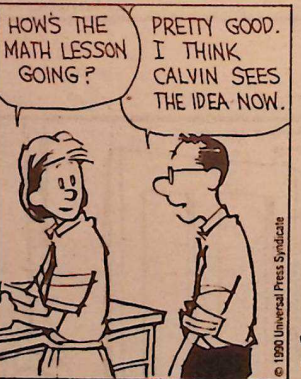
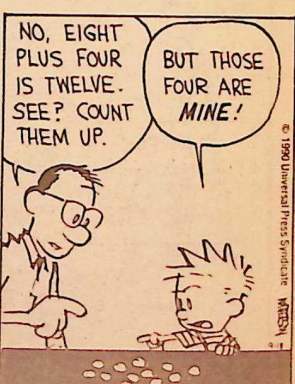
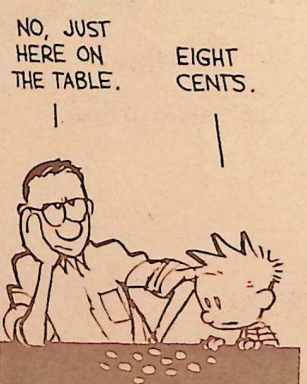
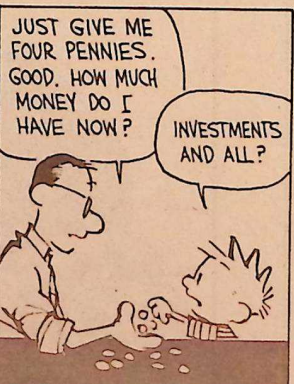
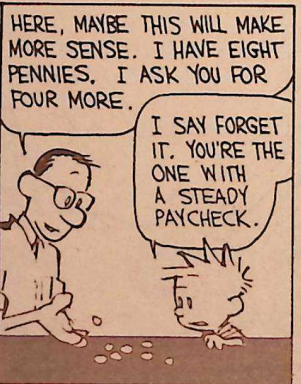
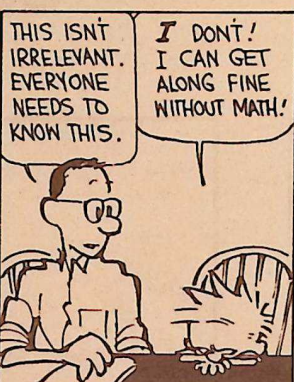
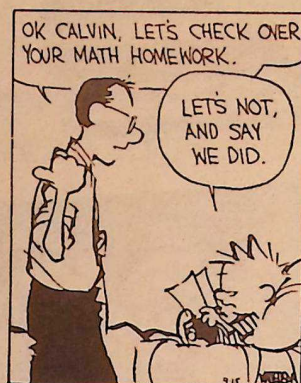
EAST HEAVEN TUB CO
 Luxurious Private Hot Tub
 Room Rentals
 586-6843
 33 West St. Northampton

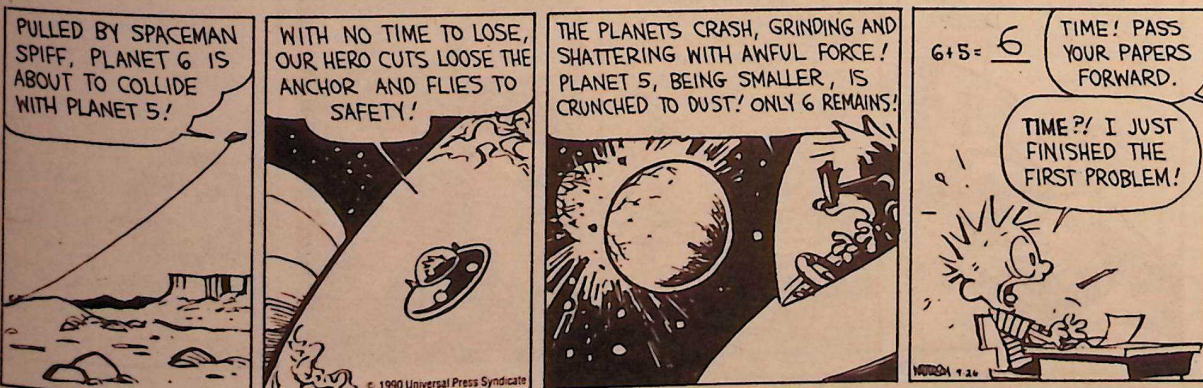
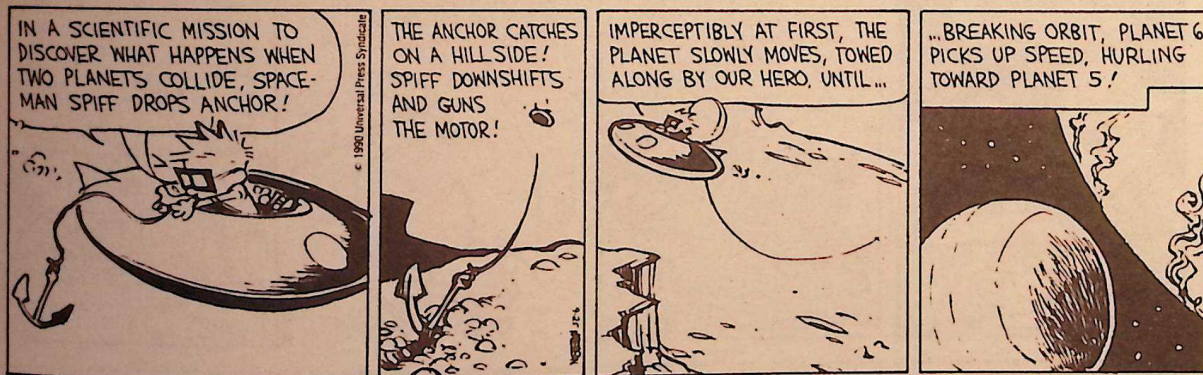
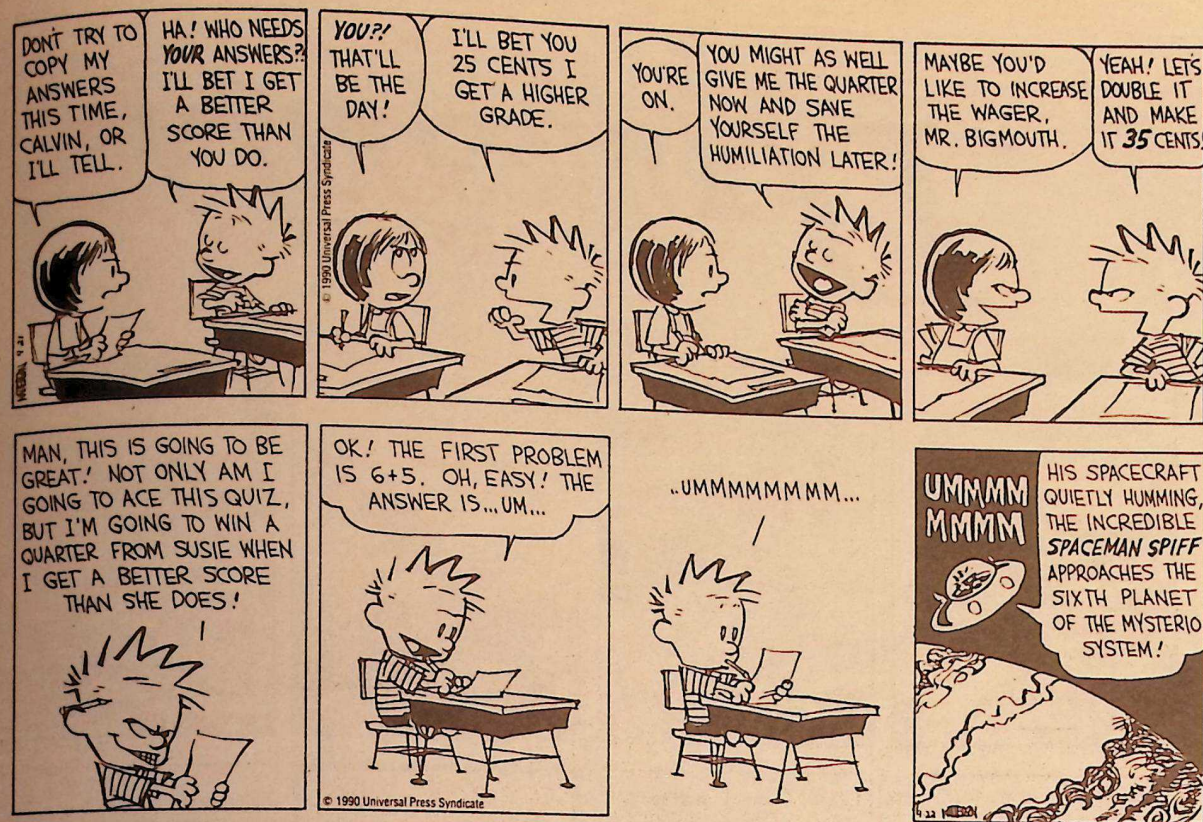


BALLOONS & PARTY STUFF
 Eves 'til 9. Thornes N'ton. 586-1508

calvin and Hobbes

by BILL WATSON



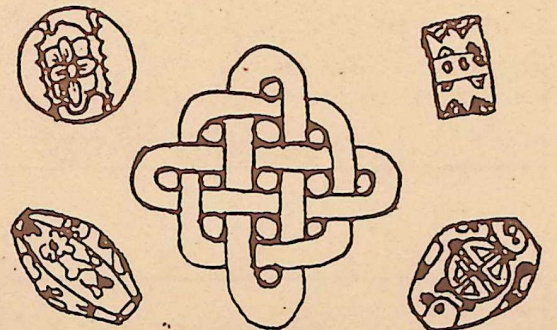


KARAVAN IMPORTS



BEADS!
BEADS!

BEADS!



20% OFF

with this ad
ONLY!

SALE ITEMS NOT INCLUDED

thru
OCT 31

585-0815

mon. - wed. 10-6

thurs. fri. 10-9 sat. 10-7

sun. 12-5

located above Pinocchio's
122 main st.
northampton, MA 01060



CHANGES

Second Floor Thornes Market

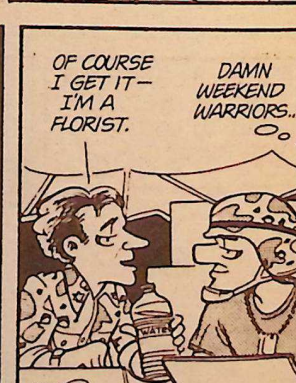
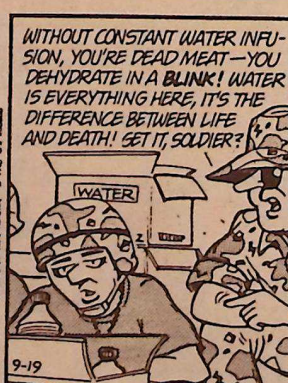
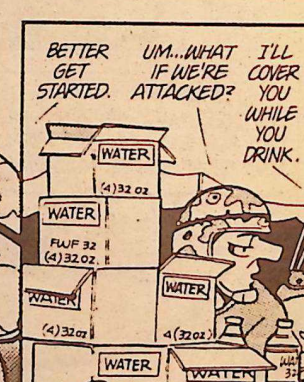
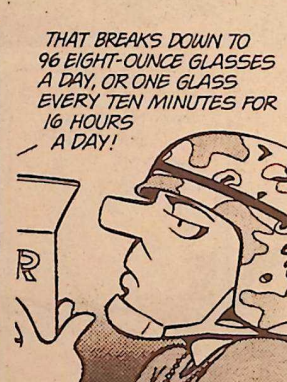
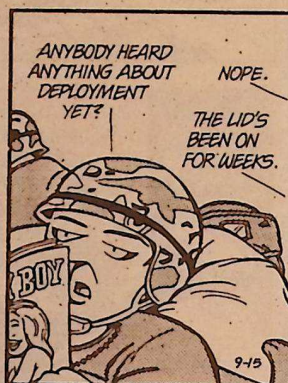
Don't cut your hair....EXTEND IT !!



"Hair Extending" is the latest technique in hair design, and is now being offered to you exclusively by Frankie and Lisa of Changes. Call 586-2600 for details.

Doonesbury

BY G.B. TRUDEAU



Grape Street Records
and Tapes
& CD's

Huge Selection
Cheapest Prices
(From \$6.97)
Call 253-5118



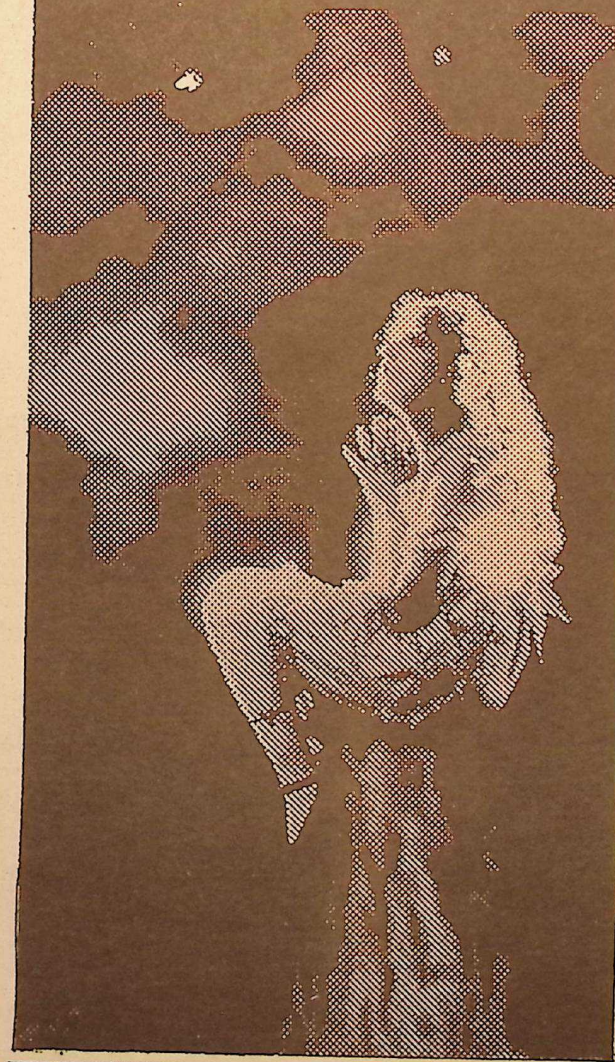
- Worcester Centrum
- Great Woods
- Boston Clubs

1 BOLTWOOD WALK
(Behind Whalen Stationers)



Classics
International
Hand picked
New releases

When you want
the best videos
of the World's Greatest
Films



PLEASANT ST.
THEATER
VIDEO

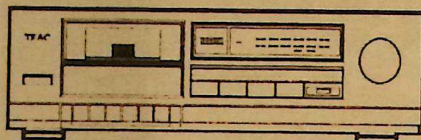
29 Pleasant Street, Northampton • 584-6762

BACK TO SCHOOL BONANZA

adirondack music beats the high cost of education with super low prices!

TEAC V250

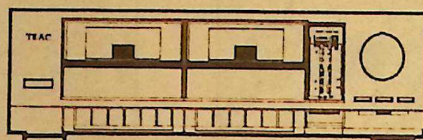
SINGLE CASSETTE DECK
WITH DOLBY NR



only \$89⁹⁵

TEAC W350

DUAL CASSETTE DECK
DOLBY NR - HI SPEED DUBBING



only \$119⁹⁵

TDK SA-100

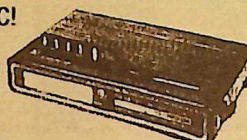
Chromium Bias - 100 minute cassettes

only \$1⁹⁹

WAKE UP TO MUSIC!

GE AM/FM
digital clock radio

only \$14.95



Jamo SL-100

3 WAY SPEAKERS

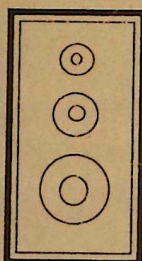
European
excellence

SAVE 50%

LIST \$280/PR

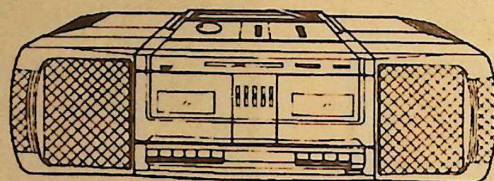
now only

\$139/PR



JVC DUAL DUBBING BLASTER

AM/FM SHORTWAVE - DUAL CASSETTES - 5 BAND EQ
CD JACK - SUPER BASS HORN - REMOVEABLE SPEAKERS



only \$149⁹⁵

AIWA SUPER BASS WALKMANS

HS-T100 only \$49⁹⁵

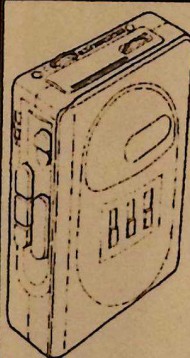
AM/FM Cassette - FF & RW

HS-T220 only \$69⁹⁵

AM/FM - Auto-Rev Cassette - EQ

HS-T50 only \$89⁹⁵

Digital AM/FM - Auto-Rev - EQ



MONSTER CABLE

75¢/ft

Autosound - Hyperflex
Superflex - 12/2
other speaker wire starting @ 15¢/ft



SONY SRS-55

Amplified
Speakers
for your portable
CD player
or walkman
only \$99⁹⁵/PR

Panasonic Personal Recorders

RQ-L305
full-size cassettes

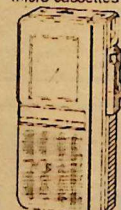
ideal for
recording
classes and
lectures!

RN-105
micro cassettes



your choice

only \$34.95



PICKERING CD-6

Digital Ready
Headphones
SAVE 50%

list \$79⁹⁵

only \$39⁹⁵



TOSHIBA

KT-4018

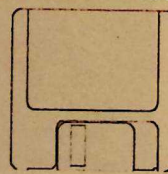
AM/FM Cassette Walkman



only \$29⁹⁵

IBM

1.44MB Disks



box of 10

only \$14⁹⁵

PARSEC

BOOSTER



only \$29⁹⁵

Trade-Ins Welcome
limited quantities
all sales final
no refunds or returns
all items subject to prior sale
sale prices for in-stock items
sale ends 10/10/90

adirondack music

15 East Pleasant St., Amherst 253-3100

OPEN MONDAY THRU SATURDAY, 10AM TO 5PM

we accept

VISA

Master Card

MAN LOSES HEAD

LOCAL BUSINESSMAN GOES BEZERK

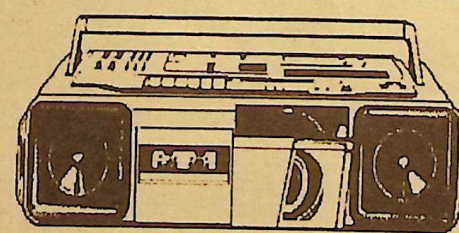
By LOWON BRED

A.M.I. Advertising Department

AMHERST -- It has been reported by a totally unreliable source that the owner of Adirondack Music, located in downtown Amherst, was seen grabbing innocent passers-by off the sidewalk into the store, yelling at them, "Boy, have I got a deal for you!". Several of these victims were later observed leaving the premises with packages of stereo equipment, dazed and shaken, but with a seemingly peculiar, pleased look on their faces.

We asked a young woman, a Miss Vera Poor, what had happened. She exclaimed, "At first I thought he was a madman! He was acting like a raving lunatic. When he offered me a Pierre Cardin cordless phone for only \$49⁹⁵, I thought he must have tripped on his shoe laces and knocked himself senseless on the brick floor in there. But he wasn't kidding! I've always wanted one, and at that price, how could I resist? He only had a couple of them, so I snapped one up right away! I also got a 25 foot headset extension for my other phone for only 99¢ out of a big box marked Telephone Stuff - only 99¢. It had lots of telephone connectors, cables and things in it."

"That guy's nuts!", insisted M. T. Wallit, a local college student. "I don't know what he's on, but I sure'd like to have some. He practically begged me to buy this great Toshiba RT-8069 CD boom box. I had looked at a couple of CD boxes elsewhere, but couldn't afford them. At first he wanted

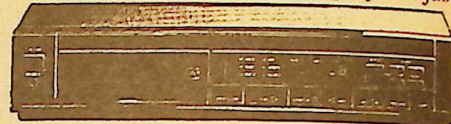


He looked at me as if I was the man from Mars

\$270 for it, said I was crazy if I didn't buy it for that price, and laughed hysterically. Man what a loon. I told him that heotta see a shrink. He looked at me as if I was the man from Mars. When I started to walk out, he started yelling out lower prices, "\$249⁹⁵", "229⁹⁵", "219⁹⁵". Just as I had opened the door he yelled, "Ok, \$199⁹⁵", not a penny less!" Now that was a deal I just couldn't pass up! It's a great machine, AM/FM cassette and programmable CD player!"

Even out on the sidewalk, through the closed door, we could hear him yelling at one of his customers, "Such a deal I got for you, maxell XLII-90 hi-bias tape, only \$1⁹⁹. It's the best price your gonna find anywhere!"

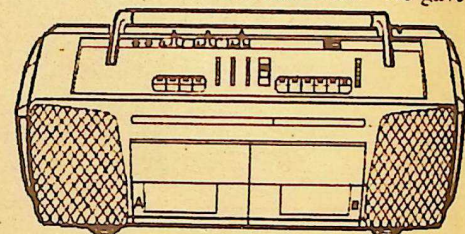
A respectable looking gentleman came out of the shop, who we at first mistook for a psychiatrist, until we notice the box under his arm. Prof. Noal Ott, as he introduced himself, explained, "It seems to have something to do with the general state of the economy. When the DOW plunges, retailers seem to think that they have to drastically reduce their prices to induce consumers to purchase. Like this Magnavox CDB-492 CD player I just



When the DOW plunges retailers... drastically reduce their prices

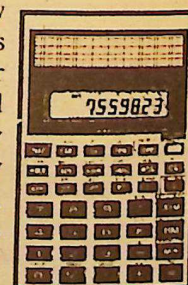
bought. A friend of mine purchased one here a few months ago for \$200, yet, I was able to take advantage of the apparent lunacy of the shopkeeper and purchase mine for only \$149⁹⁵. Quite a bargain."

A minute later, an elderly woman came out with a boom box in hand. "Such a nice man", exclaimed Ghetta Deel. "He gave



me such a deal on this JVC RC-W210 portable stereo for my teenage grandson. It's even got two of those tape thingies. I looked around at others, but you know, the salesman at other store really didn't seem to know too much about the things he was selling. Only \$99⁹⁵! And look how sturdy it is."

Our curiosity overwhelmed us. We just had to see for ourselves if the man was really bezerk. We cautiously entered the store and as soon as the door slammed shut behind us we were immediately confronted with, "How can you resist? A real, honest to goodness solar calculator, no batteries needed, ever, for the measly price of only \$1⁹⁹, and, it's pocket sized so you can slip it out when no one's looking..." How could I resist? I couldn't. I even bought a digital clock to put on my desk for only 99¢!



As we left, we could hear the man muttering to himself, seemed to be something about having to sell his Porsche just so he could feed his poor, starving wife and kid...